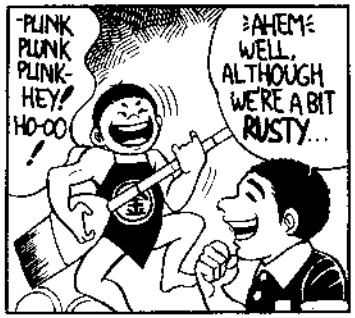
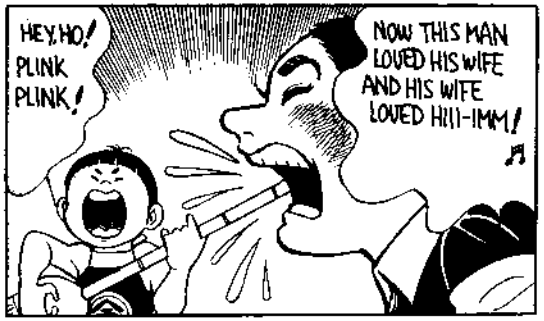
BOO HOO
I'M SURE LUCKY TO HAVE BOYS LIKE YOU TWO, I'M SURE LUCKY...

YOU GUYS ARE PRETTY GOOD WITH THAT SONG AND DANCE ROUTINE. WHY DON'T YOU GIVE YOUR MOTHER A LITTLE DEMONSTRATION?
AW, GEE...
COME ON, GEN!

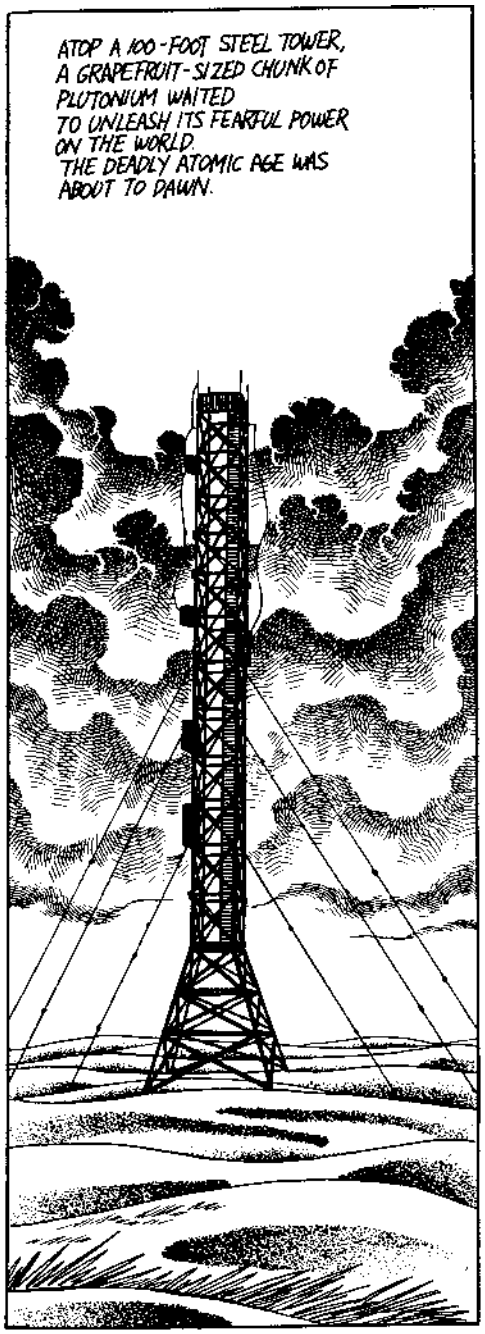

PLINK PLINK PLINK- HEY! HO-OO!
AHEM WELL, ALTHOUGH WE'RE A BIT RUSTY...

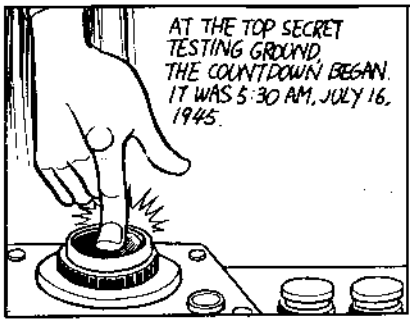

HEY, HO! PLINK PLINK!
NOW THIS MAN LOVED HIS WIFE AND HIS WIFE LOVED HIII-IMM!

HEWW!
AND TOGETHER THEY MADE IT THROUGH THICK AND THIN! HEIGH, HO! NOW ONE FINE DAY IN THE MONTH OF JUNE...
TEE HEE

ALTHOUGH PEACE AND HAPPINESS REIGNED IN THE NAKAOKA HOUSE...
HAHA
HAHA
HOHOO

IN THE NEW MEXICAN DESERT IN THE WESTERN PART OF AMERICA, THE FIRST ATOMIC EXPLOSION IN THE HISTORY OF THE HUMAN RACE WAS ABOUT TO OCCUR.


ATOP A 100-FOOT STEEL TOWER, A GRAPEFRUIT-SIZED CHUNK OF PLUTONIUM WAITED TO UNLEASH ITS FEARFUL POWER ON THE WORLD. THE DEADLY ATOMIC AGE WAS ABOUT TO DAWN.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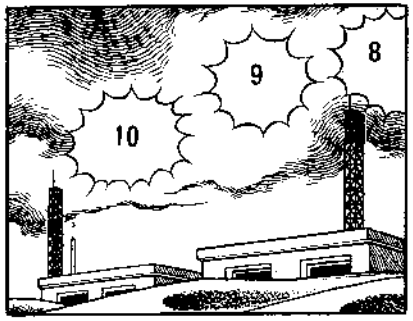
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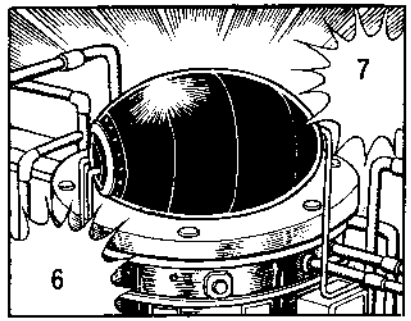
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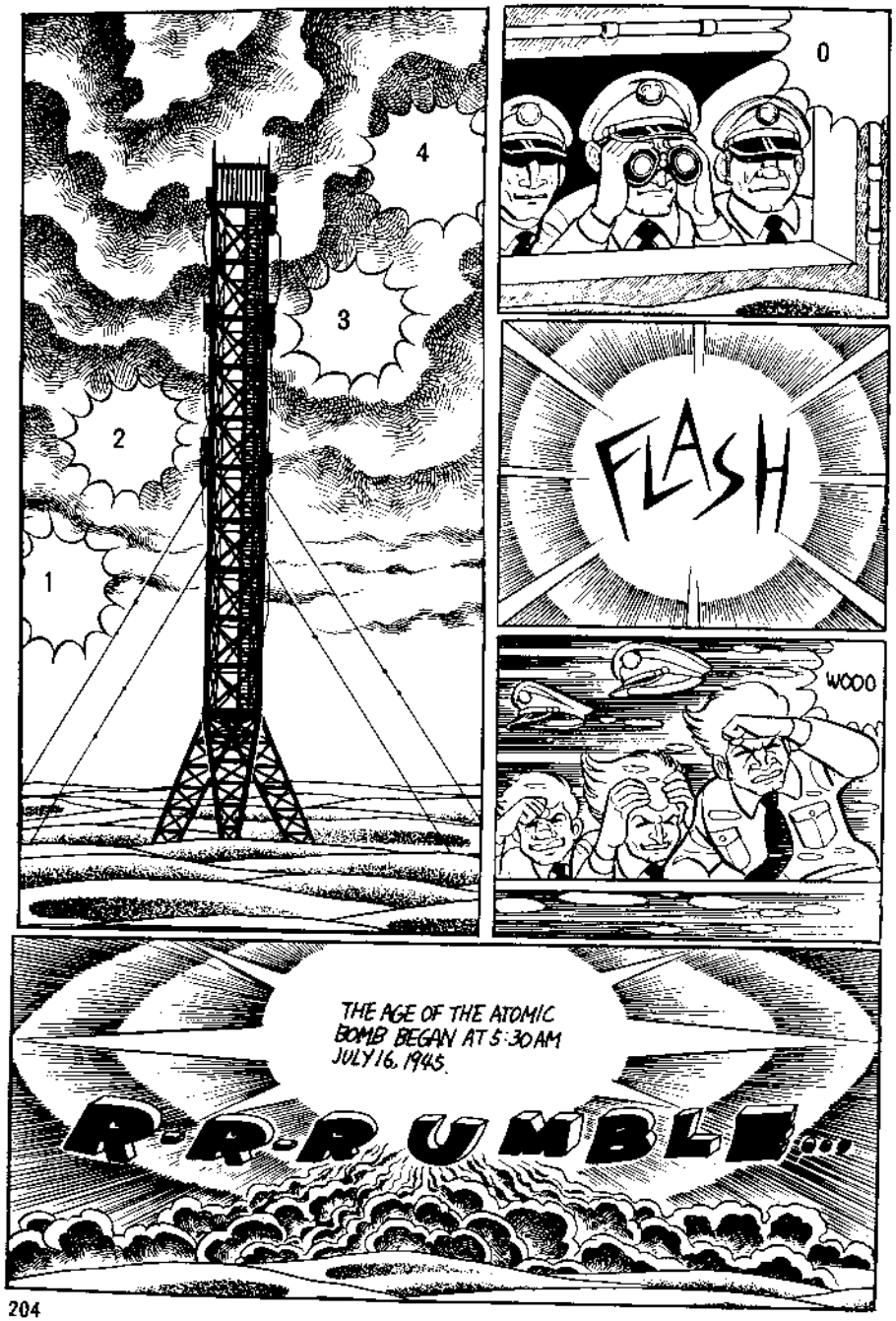
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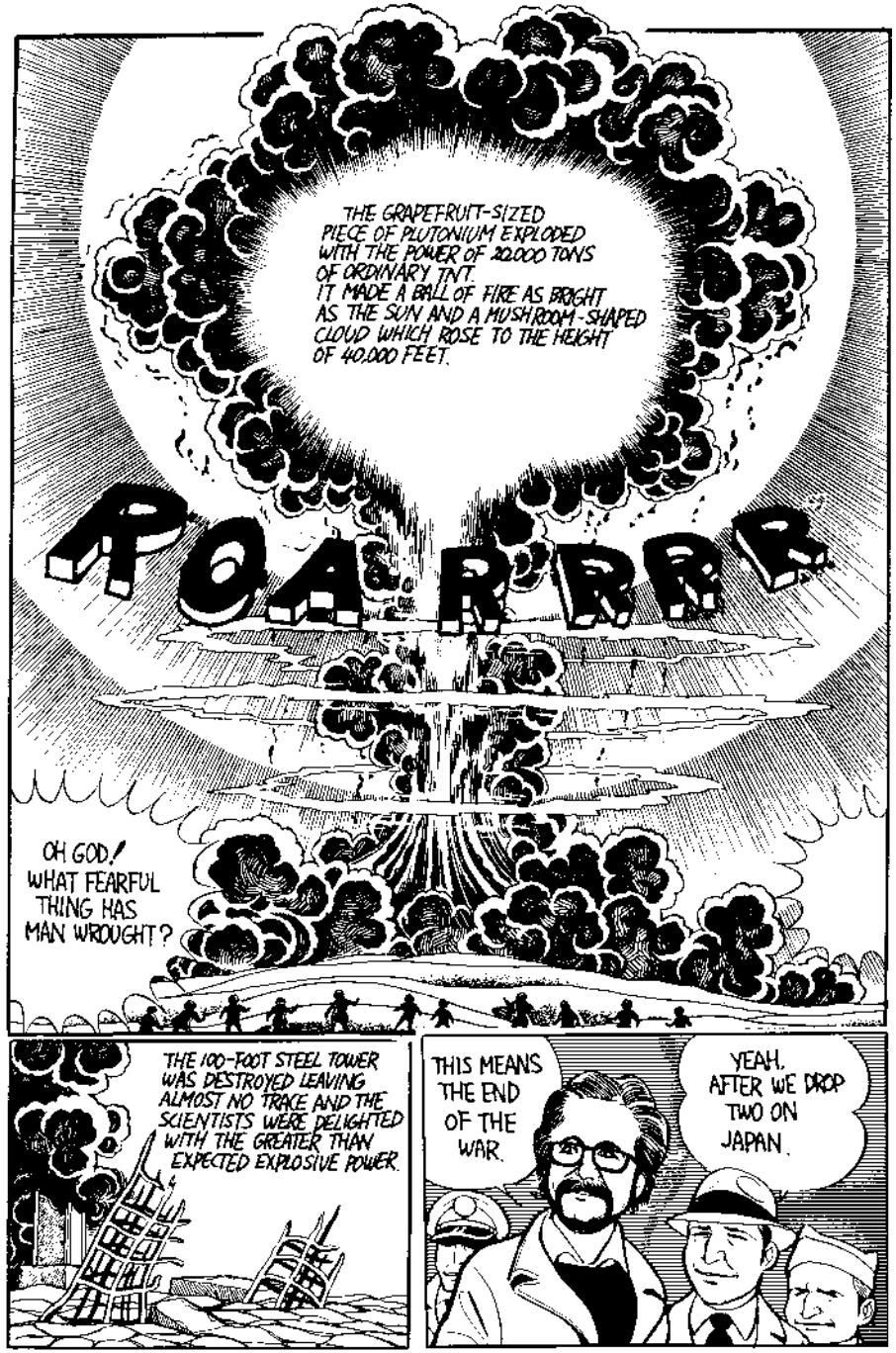
FLASH
WOOO
THE AGE OF THE ATOMIC BOMB BEGAN AT 5:30 AM JULY 16, 1945.
R-R-R-U-M-B-L-E...!


THE GRAPEFRUIT-SIZED PIECE OF PLUTONIUM EXPLODED WITH THE POWER OF 20,000 TONS OF ORDINARY TNT. IT MADE A BALL OF FIRE AS BRIGHT AS THE SUN AND A MUSHROOM-SHAPED CLOUD WHICH ROSE TO THE HEIGHT OF 40,000 FEET.
P-O-A-R-R-R-R
OH GOD! WHAT FEARFUL THING HAS MAN WROUGHT?
THE 100-FOOT STEEL TOWER WAS DESTROYED LEAVING ALMOST NO TRACE AND THE SCIENTISTS WERE DELIGHTED WITH THE GREATER THAN EXPECTED EXPLOSIVE POWER.
THIS MEANS THE END OF THE WAR.
YEAH. AFTER WE DROP TWO ON JAPAN.

POSTER: "NOW WE MUST FIGHT FOR THE HOMELAND!" "WIPE OUT THE AMERICAN AND BRITISH DEVILS!"

A FEW WEEKS LATER, ON JULY 26, THE POTSDAM CONFERENCE WAS HELD AMONG THE 3 NATIONS FIGHTING JAPAN: AMERICA, BRITAIN, AND CHINA. THE CONFERENCE PRESENTED JAPAN WITH A DEMAND FOR A CEASE-FIRE AND UNCONDITIONAL SURRENDER. JAPAN WAS ALSO WARNED THAT FURTHER RESISTANCE WOULD ONLY RESULT IN THE DEFEAT OF HER ARMIES AND THE DESTRUCTION OF THE JAPANESE HOMELAND. BUT...

... THE JAPANESE WARTIME LEADERS RETORTED THAT JAPAN WOULD CONTINUE FIGHTING TO THE LAST MAN.

さあ本土決戦だ!!
撃滅鬼畜米英!!

ACCORDINGLY, AMERICA'S PLAN FOR THE ATOMIC BOMB DROP MOVED INTO THE PHASE OF ACTUAL OPERATION. A SECRET NEW ATOMIC BOMBER SQUADRON, THE 509TH COMPOSITE GROUP, HAD ALREADY BEEN FORMED.

USA
MEXICO
CARIBBEAN

B-29 BOMBERS, STRIPPED OF MACHINE GUNS, BEGAN PRACTICE RUNS OVER MEXICO AND THE CARIBBEAN, CARRYING A DUMMY BOMB SHAPED LIKE A PUMPKIN.

CONTINUING THE DRILL, THE B-29'S PARTICIPATED IN ACTUAL BOMBING RAIDS ON JAPANESE CITIES.

THE TIDE OF THE WAR IS TURNING AND THINGS ARE GETTING ROUGH, BUT AS LONG AS THE SPIRIT OF YAMATO PREVAILS, THE JAPANESE EMPIRE WILL WIN IN THE END.

YOU YOUNG MEN ARE OUR HOPE FOR THE FUTURE. WORK HARD EVERY DAY SO YOU CAN FIGHT FOR JAPAN ON THE FRONT LINES!

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A B C

FLAP FLAP

IDIOT! YOU GOOFED AGAIN!

HANADA, YOU ARE A COMPLETE BLOCKHEAD! YOU THINK YOU CAN BECOME AN IMPERIAL SOLDIER IF YOU KEEP THAT UP?!

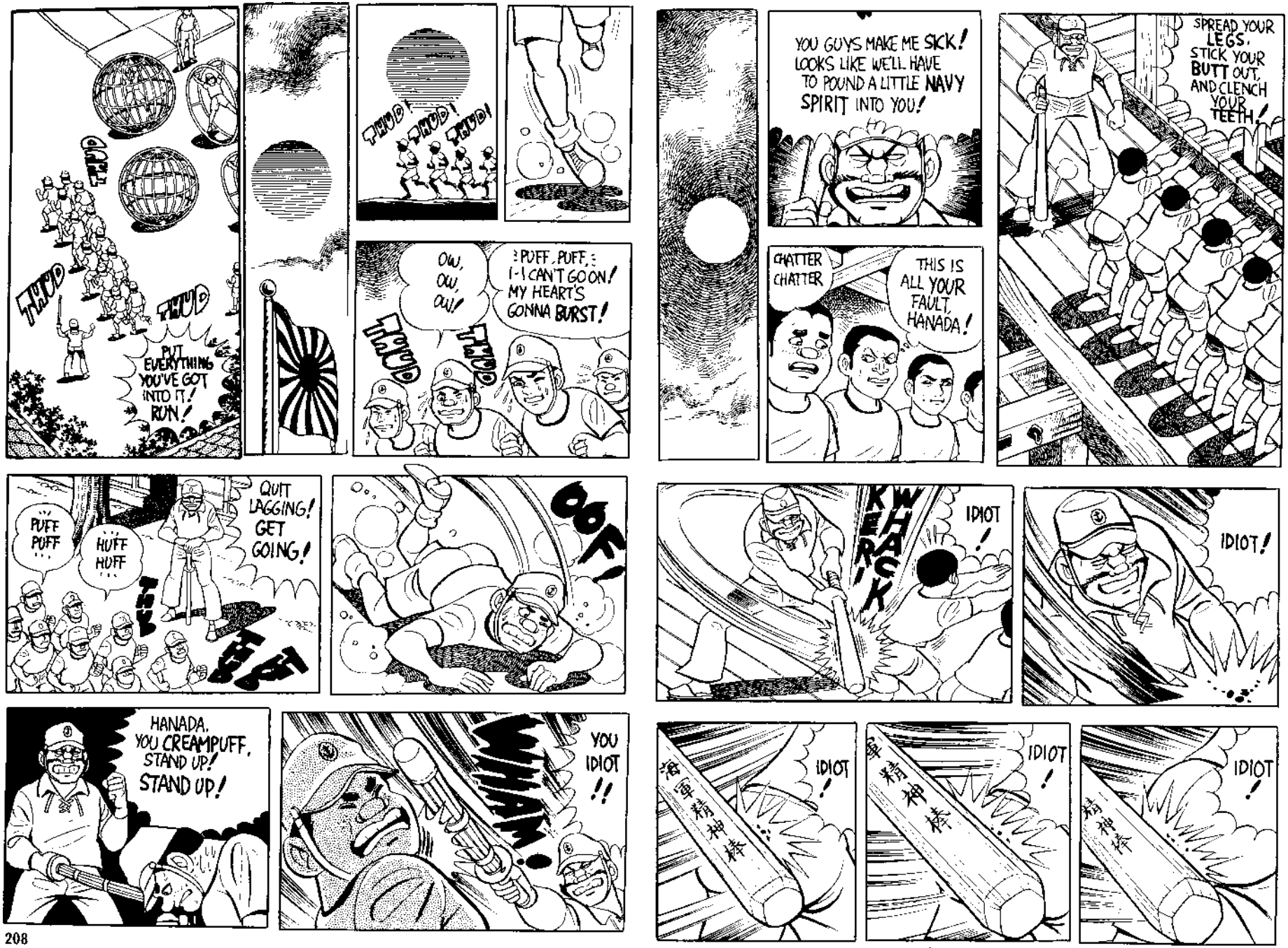
YOU NUMB-SKULL!

NOW WE'RE ALL GONNA CATCH IT AGAIN FOR HANADA'S GOOF-UP.

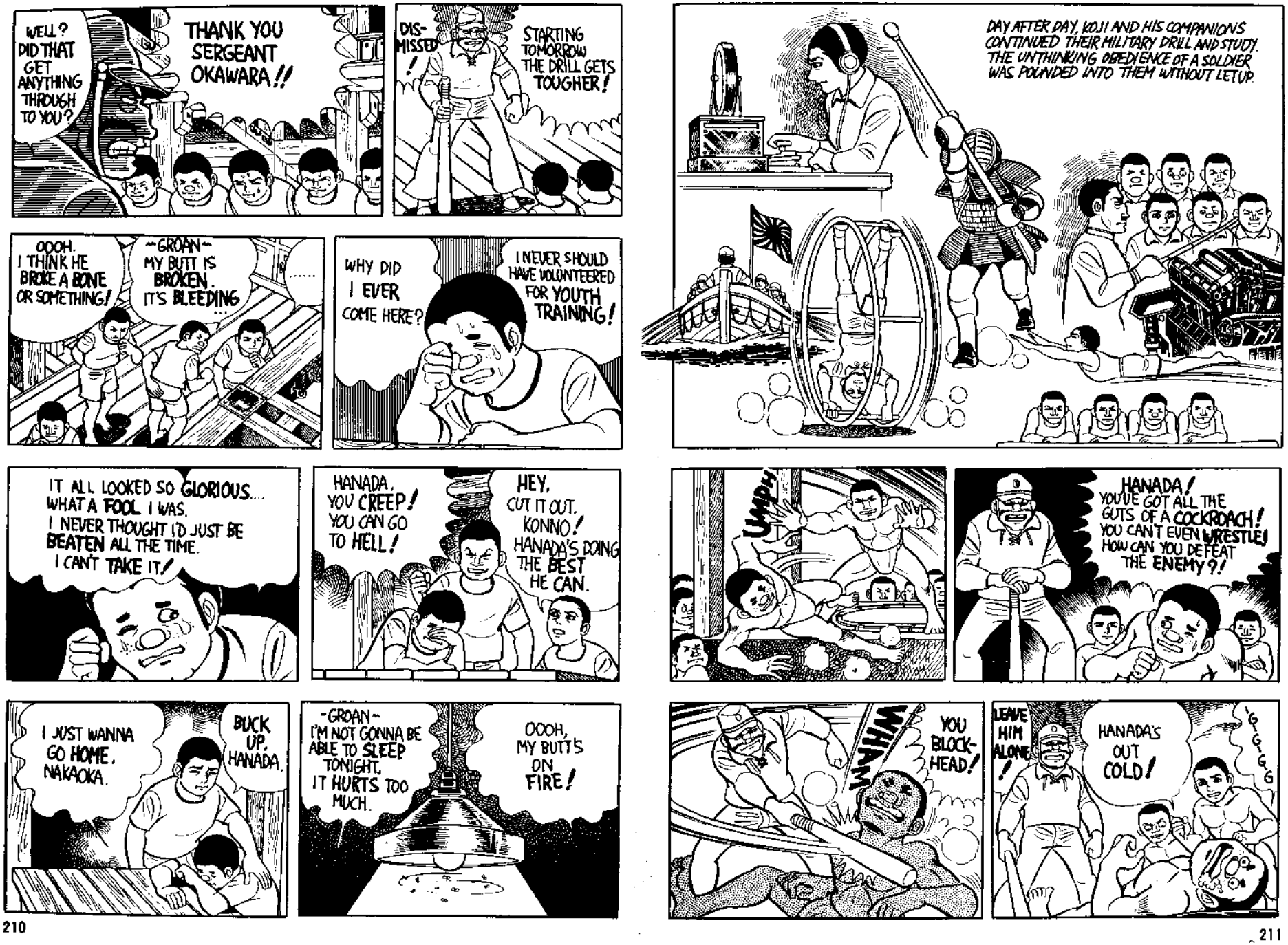
THAT DOPE. I WISH HE WAS IN SOME OTHER PLATOON.

OH NO!

OKAY YOU BUNCH OF MONKEYS, TAKE OFF! YOU'RE GONNA RUN FIVE MILES!

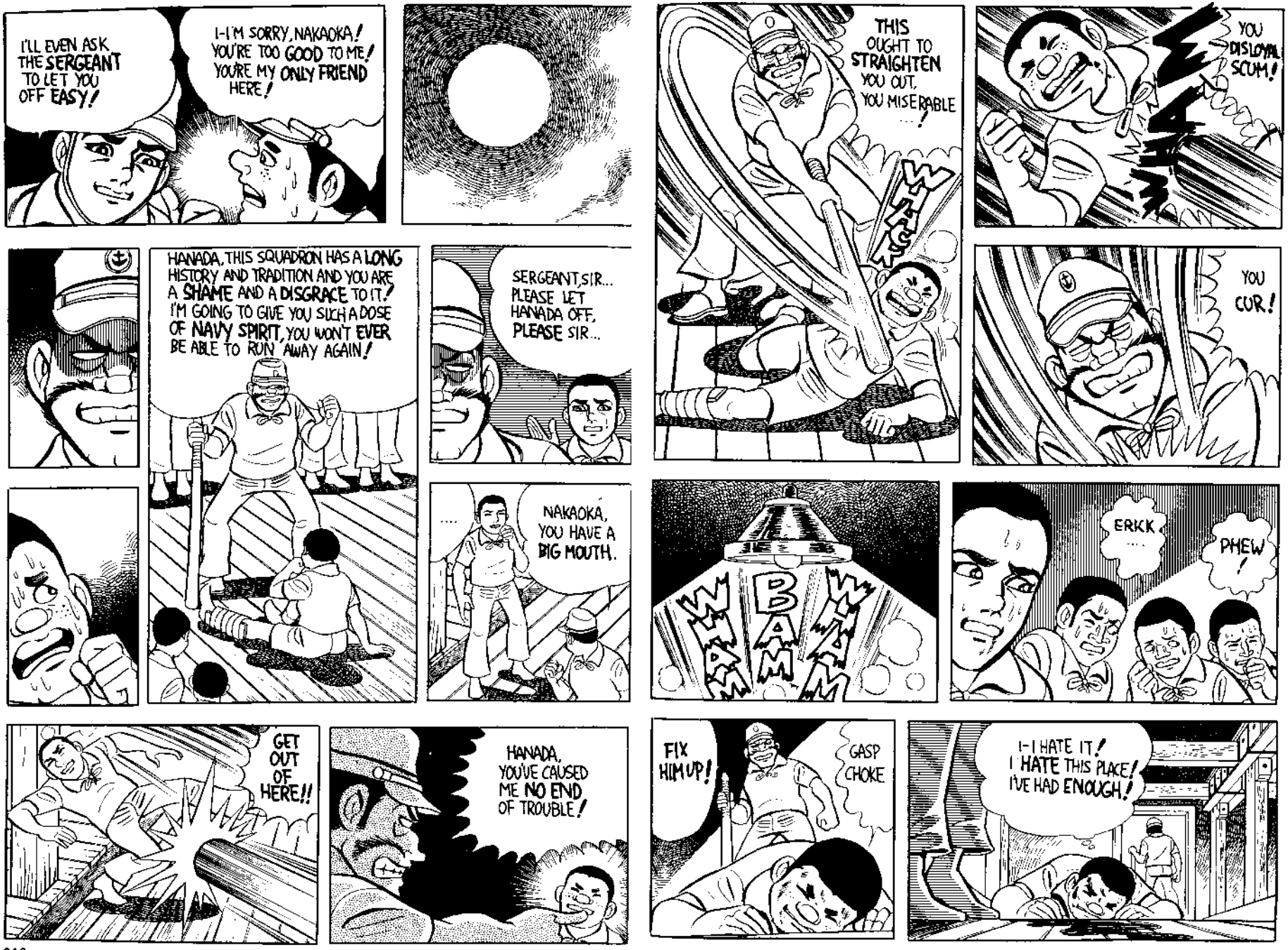


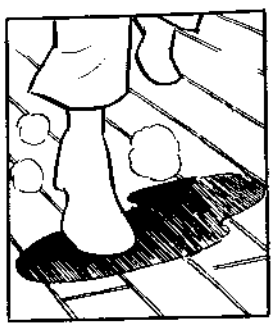
WRITING ON STICK : NAVY SPIRIT STICK


WELL? DID THAT GET ANYTHING THROUGH TO YOU?
THANK YOU SERGEANT OKAWARA!!
DIS-MISSED!
STARTING TOMORROW THE DRILL GETS TOUGHER!
DAY AFTER DAY, KOJI AND HIS COMPANIONS CONTINUED THEIR MILITARY DRILL AND STUDY. THE UNTHINKING OBEDIENCE OF A SOLDIER WAS POUNDED INTO THEM WITHOUT LETUP.
OOOH. I THINK HE BROKE A BONE OR SOMETHING!
~GROAN~ MY BUTT IS BROKEN. IT'S BLEEDING
WHY DID I EVER COME HERE?
I NEVER SHOULD HAVE VOLUNTEERED FOR YOUTH TRAINING!
IT ALL LOOKED SO GLORIOUS.... WHAT A FOOL I WAS. I NEVER THOUGHT I'D JUST BE BEATEN ALL THE TIME. I CAN'T TAKE IT!
HANADA, YOU CREEP! YOU CAN GO TO HELL!
HEY, CUT IT OUT. KONNO! HANADA'S DOING THE BEST HE CAN.
UMPH!
HANADA! YOU'VE GOT ALL THE GUTS OF A COCKROACH! YOU CAN'T EVEN WRESTLE! HOW CAN YOU DEFEAT THE ENEMY?!
I JUST WANNA GO HOME, NAKAOKA.
BUCK UP, HANADA.
~GROAN~ I'M NOT GONNA BE ABLE TO SLEEP TONIGHT. IT HURTS TOO MUCH.
OOOH, MY BUTT'S ON FIRE!
WHAM
YOU BLOCK-HEAD!
LEAVE HIM ALONE!
HANADA'S OUT COLD!
'G G G G

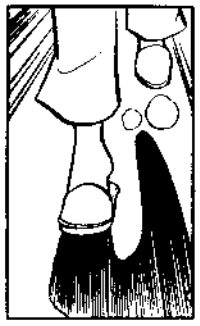
PUFF, PUFF
I'M NO GOOD! I CAN'T DO IT. I CAN'T TAKE PREP TRAINING!
I'M GOING HOME TO MA AND PA!
IDIOT!
WHACK
SMACK
SMACK
SMACK
THAT TURKEY, HANADA. -GROAN-
-GROAN-
精神棒
BANG!
WHY DIDN'T ANY OF YOU NOTICE WHEN HANADA RAN AWAY!
ER...
ER....
YOU THREE TAKE OFF AND LOOK FOR HANADA! DON'T COME BACK WITHOUT HIM!
I WONDER WHICH IS THE RIGHT WAY HOME?
STICK OUT YOUR BUTTS!
HANADA'S DESERTION IS THE WHOLE PLATOON'S RESPONSIBILITY! I'LL TEACH YOU A LESSON!
WHACK
IDIOT!!
DESERTION IS A DISGRACE TO THE ENTIRE NAVY AIR CORPS!
THAT HANADA'S REALLY GONNA GET IT THIS TIME!
PUFF PUFF
I'LL TRY THIS WAY!

GRUMBLE
RUMBLE RUMBLE
CRACK
OHHH... M-MY LEG'S BROKEN!
I-IT HURTS. I HOPE SOMEONE COMES.
YAAAH! HELP!
OWW, IT HURTS! HELP!
HUFF HUFF
PUFF PUFF
WHERE DID HANADA GO ANYWAY?
HE COULDN'T HAVE GOTTEN THAT FAR YET!
THAT'S HANADA'S VOICE!
HEEEY! SOMEONE HE-HELP ME-E-E! MY LEG'S BROKEN! I CAN'T MOVE!
NO MATTER WHERE HE WENT THE MILITARY POLICE WOULD HAVE CAUGHT HIM ANYWAY.
THAT'S HIM ALL RIGHT. WHAT A DOPE.
OVER THERE!
GROAN
WHA-? OH, IT'S YOU, NAKAOKA!
HEY, HANADA. C'MON, PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER.
PLEASE, NAKAOKA! TAKE ME HOME! LET ME GO HOME! I CAN'T TAKE THE AIR CORPS ANYMORE! PLEASE!
YOU COWARD, HANADA! YOU CALL YOURSELF JAPANESE? DIDN'T WE ALL VOLUNTEER TO BECOME PILOTS FOR OUR COUNTRY?!
EVEN IF THE TRAINING'S ROUGH, RUNNING AWAY IS BEING A TRAITOR!!
A-A TRAITOR!
SHUT UP! YOU'RE THE DISGRACE OF THE 24TH SESSION!!
PLEASE! LET ME GO THIS TIME!
W-WAIT, KONNO! HANADA DID THE BEST HE COULD, DIDN'T HE?
ARE YOU TRYING TO DEFEND HIM, NAKAOKA?
WELL, HANADA, LET'S GO BACK TO THE BASE. YOU WOULDN'T WANT YOUR PAPA AND MAMA TO BE TREATED AS TRAITORS BECAUSE YOU RAN AWAY, WOULD YOU?


I'LL EVEN ASK THE SERGEANT TO LET YOU OFF EASY!
I-I'M SORRY, NAKAOKA! YOU'RE TOO GOOD TO ME! YOU'RE MY ONLY FRIEND HERE!
HANADA, THIS SQUADRON HAS A LONG HISTORY AND TRADITION AND YOU ARE A SHAME AND A DISGRACE TO IT! I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU SUCH A DOSE OF NAVY SPIRIT, YOU WON'T EVER BE ABLE TO RUN AWAY AGAIN!
SERGEANT, SIR... PLEASE LET HANADA OFF, PLEASE SIR...
....
NAKAOKA, YOU HAVE A BIG MOUTH.
GET OUT OF HERE!!
HANADA, YOU'VE CAUSED ME NO END OF TROUBLE!
THIS OUGHT TO STRAIGHTEN YOU OUT, YOU MISERABLE...!
YOU DISLOYAL SCUM!
YOU CUR!
WHAM BAM WHAM
ERICK...
PHEW!
FIX HIM UP!
GASP CHOKE
I-I HATE IT! I HATE THIS PLACE! I'VE HAD ENOUGH!



WHAT IS IT?
SERGEANT, COME QUICK! IT'S HANADA...

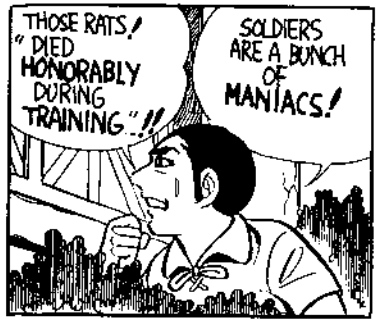


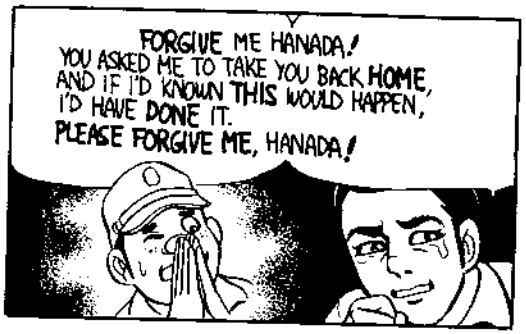
THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN DO ABOUT IT NOW. WE WILL JUST SAY THAT HANADA MET WITH AN ACCIDENT AND DIED HONORABLY DURING TRAINING.
YESSIR. THANK YOU SIR.

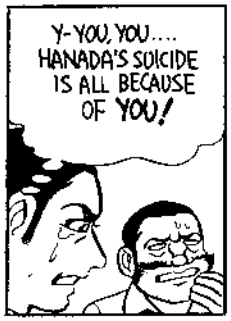
FROM NOW ON, DO YOU THINK YOU CAN DRILL THEM WITHOUT ANY OF THEM DYING?
YESSIR.

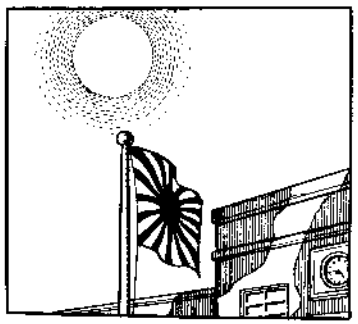
GASP

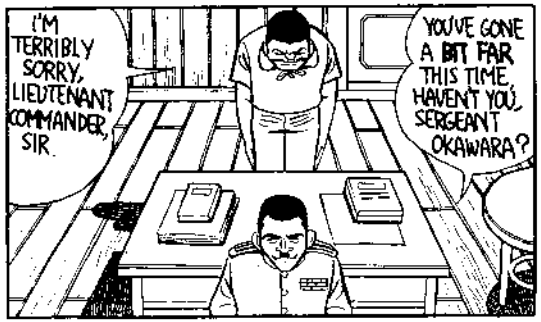
H-HURRY UP! GET HIM DOWN!

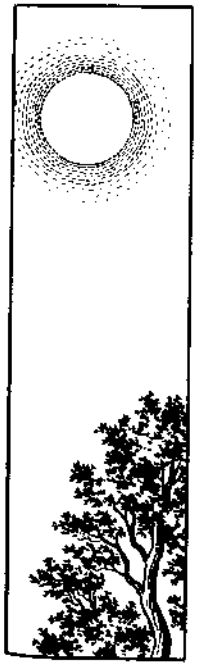

THOSE RATS! "DIED HONORABLY DURING TRAINING"!!
SOLDIERS ARE A BUNCH OF MANIACS!

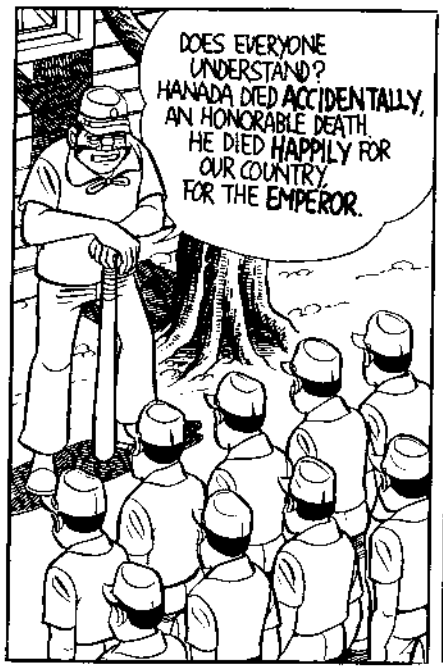

FORGIVE ME HANADA! YOU ASKED ME TO TAKE YOU BACK HOME, AND IF I'D KNOWN THIS WOULD HAPPEN, I'D HAVE DONE IT. PLEASE FORGIVE ME, HANADA!


Y-YOU, YOU.... HANADA'S SUICIDE IS ALL BECAUSE OF YOU!

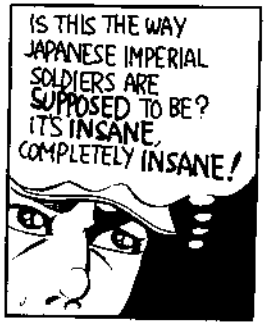



I'M TERRIBLY SORRY, LIEUTENANT COMMANDER, SIR.
YOU'VE GONE A BIT FAR THIS TIME, HAVEN'T YOU, SERGEANT OKAWARA?




DOES EVERYONE UNDERSTAND? HANADA DIED ACCIDENTALLY, AN HONORABLE DEATH. HE DIED HAPPILY FOR OUR COUNTRY, FOR THE EMPEROR.

THAT RAT OKAWARA! HE BEATS HANADA TO DEATH, THEN HE ACTS LIKE NOTHING HAPPENED!


IS THIS THE WAY JAPANESE IMPERIAL SOLDIERS ARE SUPPOSED TO BE? IT'S INSANE, COMPLETELY INSANE!

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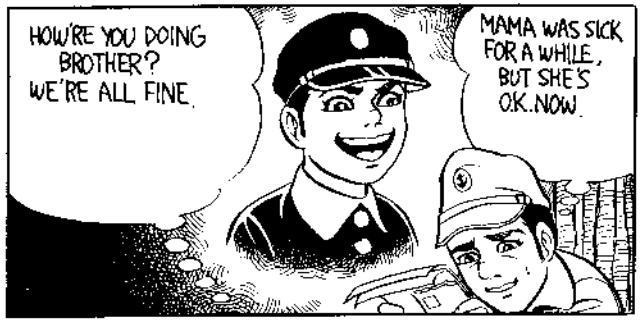
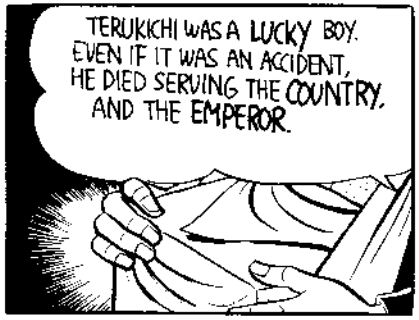
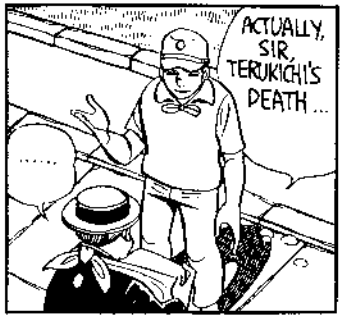

HOW'RE YOU DOING BROTHER? WE'RE ALL FINE.
MAMA WAS SICK FOR A WHILE, BUT SHE'S O.K. NOW.


TERUKICHI WAS A LUCKY BOY. EVEN IF IT WAS AN ACCIDENT, HE DIED SERVING THE COUNTRY, AND THE EMPEROR.

TERUKICHI IS THE PRIDE OF THE HANADA FAMILY. WE'RE SO GRATEFUL...
WE CAN GO BACK TO OUR VILLAGE WITH OUR HEADS HELD HIGH.

HANG IN THERE, KOJI! THE YOUTH TRAINING CORPS MUST BE REAL NEAT- ME AND SHINJI BRAG ABOUT YOU ALL THE TIME!
WHEN I GROW UP I'M GOING TO JOIN THE YOUTH TRAINING CORPS TOO! WELL, BYE FOR NOW...


ACTUALLY, SIR, TERUKICHI'S DEATH...
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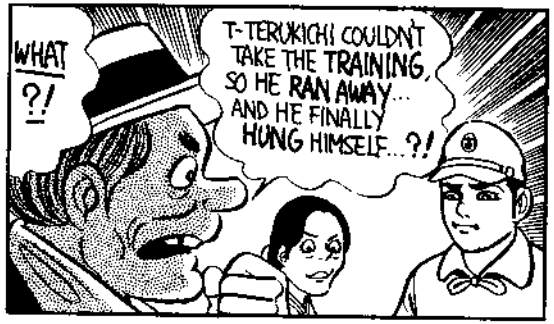
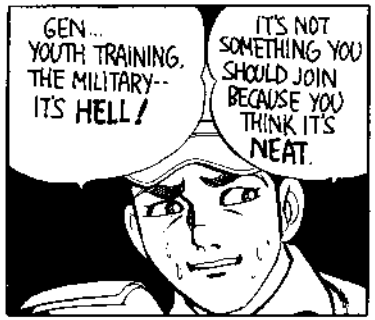
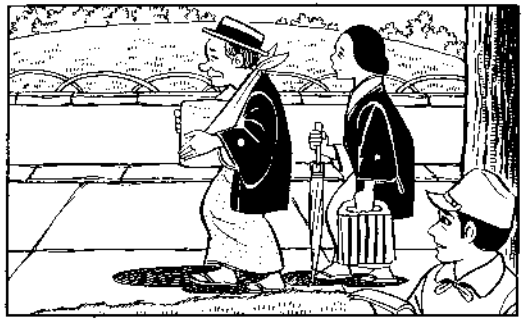
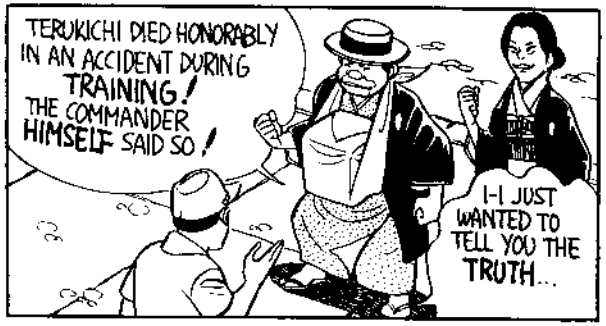

WHAT ?!
T-TERUKICHI COULDN'T TAKE THE TRAINING, SO HE RAN AWAY... AND HE FINALLY HUNG HIMSELF...?!

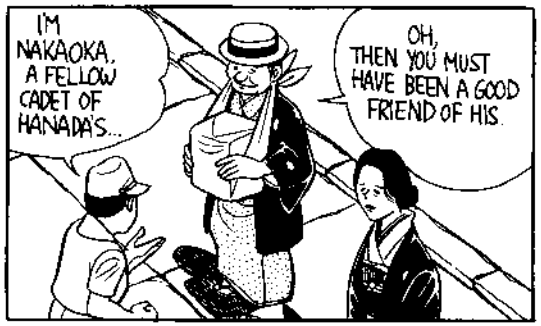

GEN... YOUTH TRAINING, THE MILITARY-- IT'S HELL!
IT'S NOT SOMETHING YOU SHOULD JOIN BECAUSE YOU THINK IT'S NEAT.



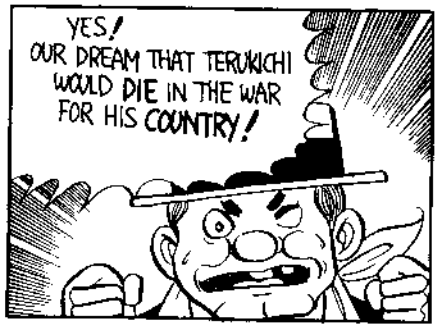
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!


TERUKICHI DIED HONORABLY IN AN ACCIDENT DURING TRAINING! THE COMMANDER HIMSELF SAID SO!
I-I JUST WANTED TO TELL YOU THE TRAINING...

EXCUSE ME, ARE YOU HANADA'S MOTHER AND FATHER?
THAT'S RIGHT.


I'M NAKAOKA, A FELLOW CADET OF HANADA'S...
OH, THEN YOU MUST HAVE BEEN A GOOD FRIEND OF HIS.

NO! TERUKICHI DIED HONORABLY FOR HIS COUNTRY! DON'T TAKE AWAY OUR GLORY! DON'T DESTROY OUR DREAM!
D-DREAM ?


YES! OUR DREAM THAT TERUKICHI WOULD DIE IN THE WAR FOR HIS COUNTRY!

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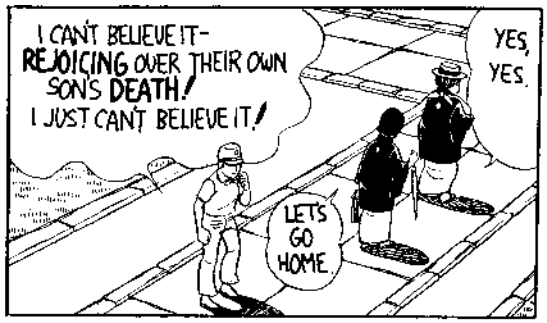
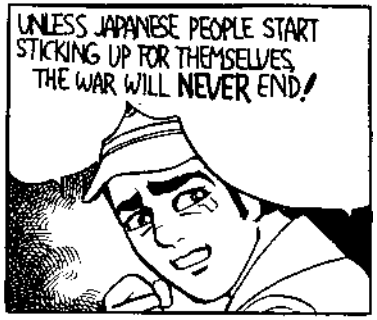
DON'T EVER SAY SUCH STUPID THINGS AGAIN!


I CAN'T BELIEVE IT- REJOICING OVER THEIR OWN SON'S DEATH! I JUST CAN'T BELIEVE IT!
LET'S GO HOME.
YES, YES.

W-WHY... WHY CAN'T EVERYONE THINK? USE THEIR HEADS FOR ONCE?
ARE THEY GOING TO BE SLAVES TO THIS HOAX OF A WAR FOREVER?

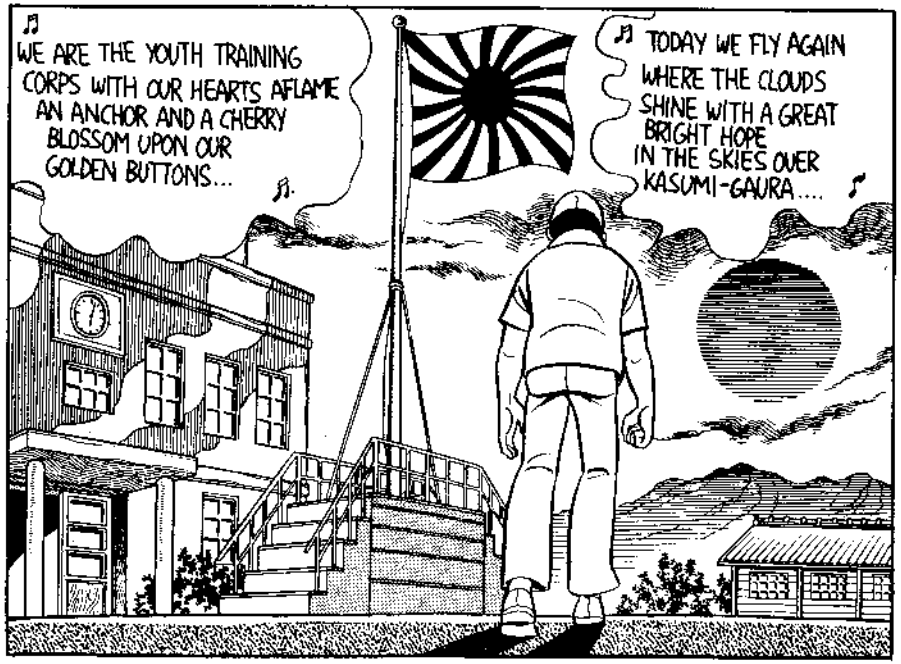

UNLESS JAPANESE PEOPLE START STICKING UP FOR THEMSELVES, THE WAR WILL NEVER END!

JUST LIKE PAPA SAID, THE WAR HAS DRIVEN THE WHOLE COUNTRY MAD!
IT'S HORRIBLE! REALLY HORRIBLE!

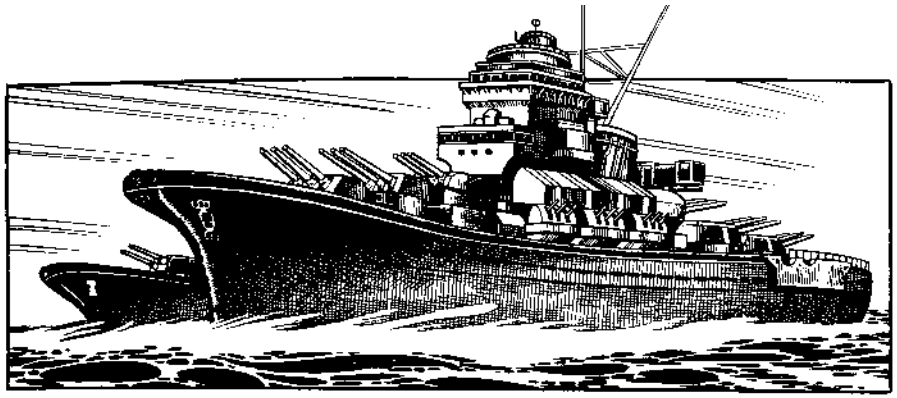
CHUCKLE CHUCKLE...

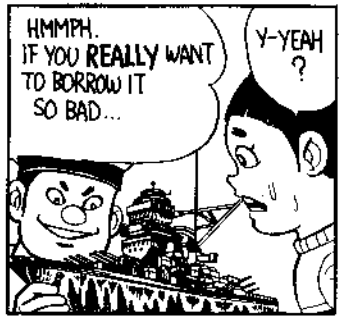
DAMN! HOW LONG WILL IT GO ON, ANYWAY? ... THIS HATEFUL AGE OF WAR?!
THE TIME'S GOT TO COME WHEN WE CAN ALL LIVE FREELY, LIKE HUMAN BEINGS...

HAHAHA
HAHA

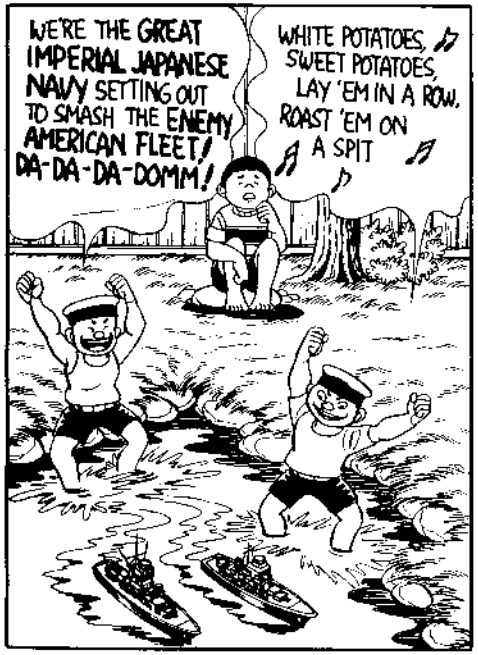

♫ WE ARE THE YOUTH TRAINING CORPS WITH OUR HEARTS AFLAME AN ANCHOR AND A CHERRY BLOSSOM UPON OUR GOLDEN BUTTONS... ♫
♫ TODAY WE FLY AGAIN WHERE THE CLOUDS SHINE WITH A GREAT BRIGHT HOPE IN THE SKIES OVER KASUMI-GAURA.... ♪

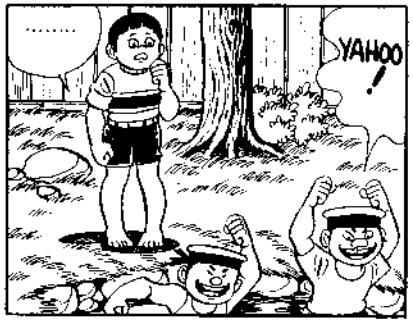
HANADA, THERE JUST WASN'T ANY PLACE FOR YOU. YOU TRIED TO LIVE FOR YOURSELF LIKE A HUMAN BEING, NOT FOR YOUR COUNTRY OR THE EMPEROR...
... BUT THEY GOT YOU IN THE END...




HMMPH. IF YOU REALLY WANT TO BORROW IT SO BAD...
Y-YEAH ?

IF YOU DROP YOUR PANTS AND BARK LIKE A DOG, YOU CAN BORROW IT.
R-REALLY? I'LL DO IT!


WE'RE THE GREAT IMPERIAL JAPANESE NAVY SETTING OUT TO SMASH THE ENEMY AMERICAN FLEET! DA-DA-DA-DOMM!
WHITE POTATOES, SWEET POTATOES, LAY 'EM IN A ROW, ROAST 'EM ON A SPIT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YAHOO!

BOW WOW
ARF ARF

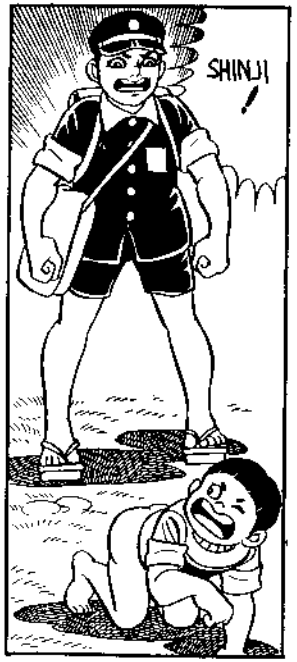
I DID IT. NOW GIVE IT TO ME.
STUPID! WHO SAID TO DO IT ONCE? DO IT 100 TIMES!

IF YOU DON'T, YOU CAN'T BORROW IT!
THAT'S NOT FAIR!!

HUH? YOU STILL HERE, SHINJI?
YOCHAN, LET ME PLAY TOO.

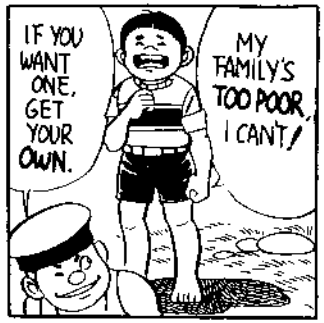
I-I'LL DO IT.

WOW WOW WOW WOW
YAAH! THE TRAITOR'S DOG IS BARKING!
HA HA HA! BARK LOUDER!


SHINJI!

SCRAM! MY SHIP'LL BE RUINED IF A TRAITOR'S KID TOUCHES IT! GO ON HOME!

BLEAAGH!
PLEASE, JUST ONCE! PLEASE LET ME BORROW IT!


IF YOU WANT ONE, GET YOUR OWN.
MY FAMILY'S TOO POOR, I CAN'T!

WOW WOW WOW BOW

YOU FOOL! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
I WANNA BORROW THAT BATTLESHIP, GEN.
!IDIOT! DON'T MAKE A FOOL OF YOURSELF!
BUT I WANNA PLAY WITH THE BATTLESHIP!
WAAH!! I WANNA BATTLESHIP TOO!!
SHINJI, LET'S GO PLAY.
NO! I HATE YOU!
WHAP
DON'T YOU HAVE ANY PRIDE?
RUN!
UH OH
YOU PUNKS! HOW DARE YOU MAKE FUN OF SHINJI!
:SOB: I WANNA BATTLESHIP!
FORGET IT. WE'RE GOING HOME.
:SNIFF: I WANNA BATTLESHIP
HMPH. DO WHAT YOU LIKE...
IF YOU WANT SOME RESPECT, GET A SHIP LIKE MINE!
NYAAH! GEN NAKAOKA THE TRAITOR STINKS!!
WHAT-!
WAIT...
YAAH YAAH
D-DAMN! IF I EVER CATCH THEM, I'LL SKIN 'EM ALIVE!
DON'T BE SUCH A WEAKLING, SHINJI!
WAAH... YOU STUPID BROTHER! I COULDA BORROWED THAT BATTLESHIP!
DAMN! I'D LIKE TO GET A BATTLESHIP FOR OL' SHINJI.
WHA-
SIGN: HORIKAWA GLASS
W-WOW... THAT'S SOME SHIP! IF I GAVE IT TO SHINJI...
HE'D BE HAPPY FOR SURE!

BE SENSIBLE.

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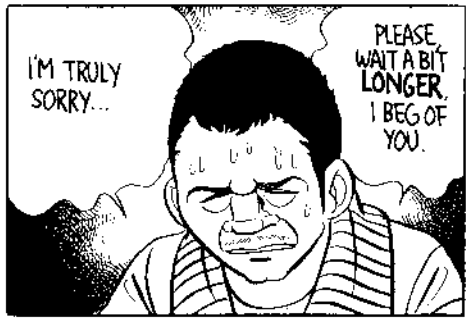
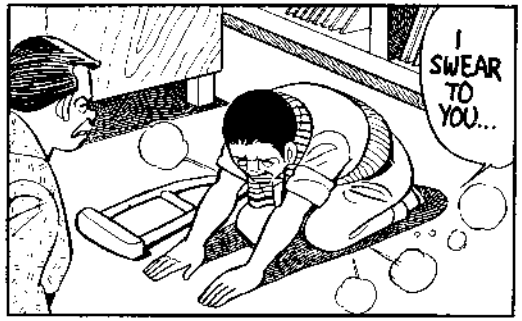
YOU PROMISED TO PAY OFF YOUR DEBT TODAY, MR. HORIKAWA.
DON'T BE SO UNCOOPERATIVE!


I'M TRULY SORRY...
PLEASE, WAIT A BIT LONGER, I BEG OF YOU.

YOU'LL HAVE TO MOVE OUT OF HERE! YOU HAVEN'T PAID THE RENT IN SIX MONTHS!

I'VE BEEN PROVIDING YOU WITH GLASS AND YOU HAVEN'T REPAID ME IN FIVE MONTHS. IF IT COMES TO THIS, I'LL TAKE ALL THE GLASS BACK.

PLEASE, GIVE ME MORE TIME, JUST A LITTLE MORE TIME!
I'LL PAY MY DEBTS WITHOUT FAIL!

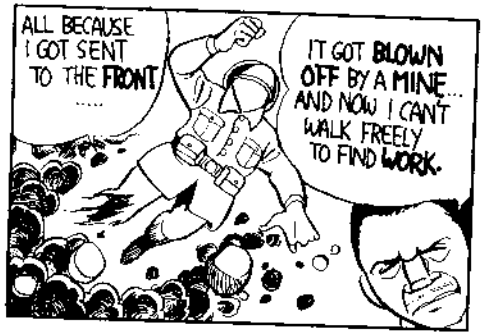

I SWEAR TO YOU...

YOU MAKE THINGS DIFFICULT, MR. HORIKAWA. WHAT CAN WE DO? WE'LL WAIT ONE MORE DAY.
HAVE YOUR DEBT ALL PAID OFF TOMORROW.

IF YOU DON'T PAY UP TOMORROW I'LL KICK YOU OUT.
GRUMBLE GRUMBLE

FORGIVE ME, DEAR. I'M TOO SICK TO HELP...

AAAAAH... I-IF I ONLY HAD THIS LEG....
I'D WORK LIKE MAD AND I COULD PAY OFF MY DEBTS...

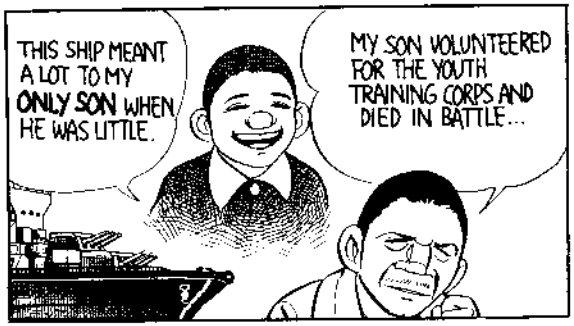

ALL BECAUSE I GOT SENT TO THE FRONT.....
IT GOT BLOWN OFF BY A MINE... AND NOW I CAN'T WALK FREELY TO FIND WORK.

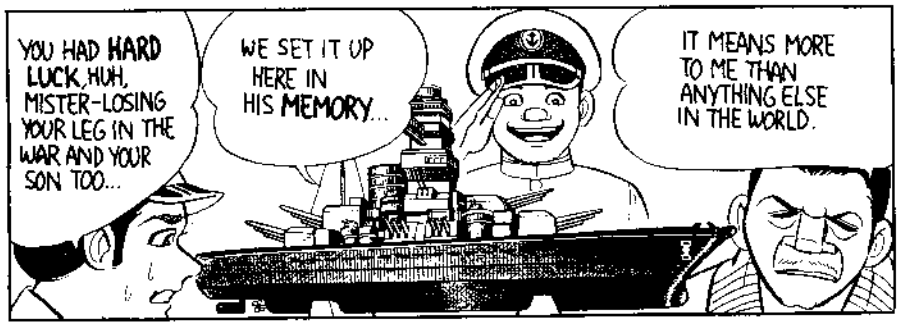
HANAYO, I CAN'T STAND IT! IF I HADN'T GONE TO WAR, I WOULDN'T BE SO....
EVEN WITH ONE LEG, DEAR, YOU CAME HOME ALIVE. WE SHOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR THAT.

I HATE IT, THIS WAR THAT TOOK MY LEG... AND NOW, THE FAMILY GLASS STORE HAS TO GO TOO...

WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU?
ER-HEH HEH ... THAT'S A REAL FINE BATTLESHIP, MISTER- WHAT WOULD YOU SELL IT FOR?

THAT ISN'T FOR SALE. NO MATTER HOW MUCH YOU OFFERED, I COULDN'T SELL IT.
WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?

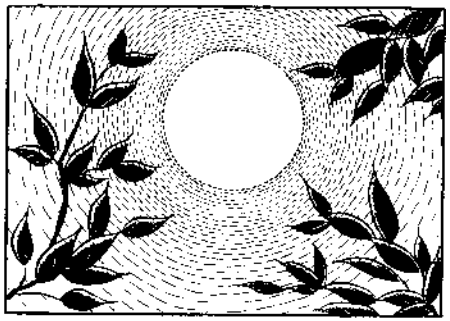

THIS SHIP MEANT A LOT TO MY ONLY SON WHEN HE WAS LITTLE.
MY SON VOLUNTEERED FOR THE YOUTH TRAINING CORPS AND DIED IN BATTLE...

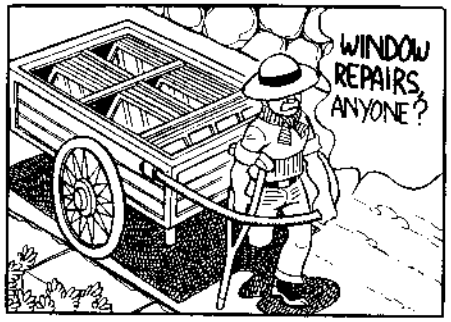

YOU HAD HARD LUCK, HUH, MISTER-LOSING YOUR LEG IN THE WAR AND YOUR SON TOO...
WE SET IT UP HERE IN HIS MEMORY...
IT MEANS MORE TO ME THAN ANYTHING ELSE IN THE WORLD.

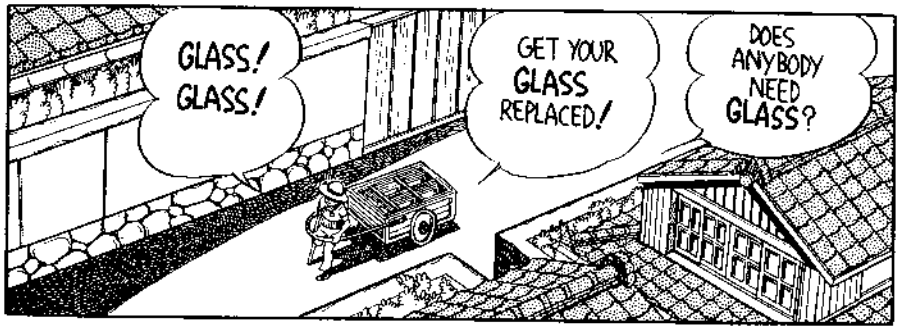
HUH-IT'S HARD LUCK ALL RIGHT. I FOUGHT FOR MY COUNTRY AND LOOK WHERE IT GOT ME!

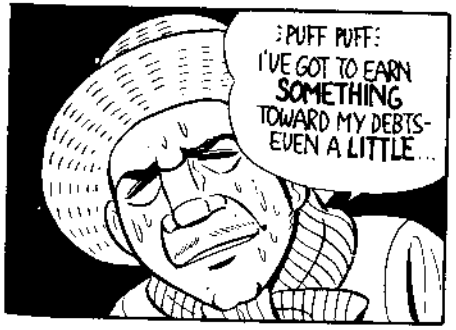
CHEER UP, MISTER! DON'T LET SOMETHING LIKE A FEW DEBTS GET YOU DOWN!
THE KID MUST'VE HEARD!

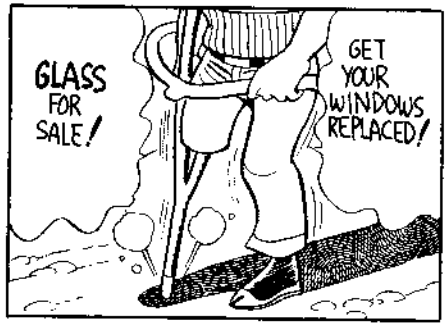
HANG IN THERE, MISTER!
LIKE MY PAPA ALWAYS SAYS, "THERE'S BAD TIMES AND THERE'S GOOD TIMES, BUT WHATEVER BELONGS TO THE WORLD GETS TAKEN CARE OF IN THE WORLD"!!
HEH HEH- SMARTALECK KID!

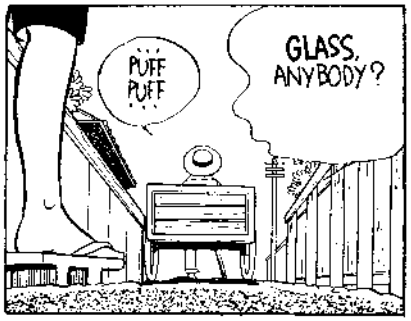


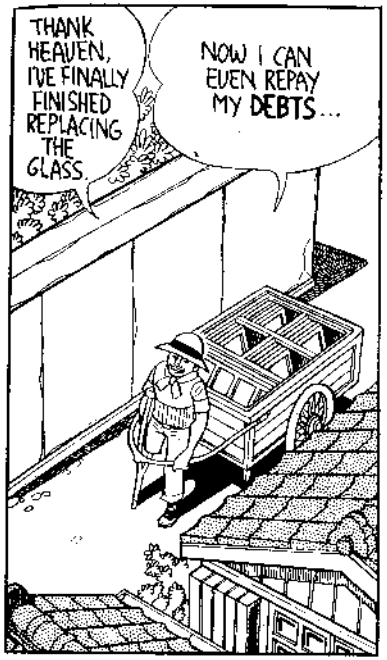

WINDOW REPAIRS, ANYONE?

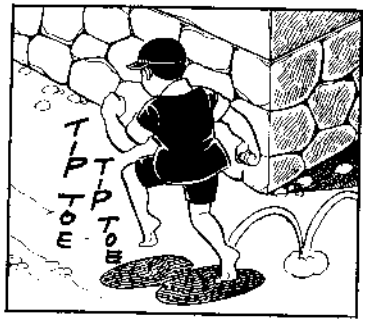

GLASS! GLASS!
GET YOUR GLASS REPLACED!
DOES ANYBODY NEED GLASS?

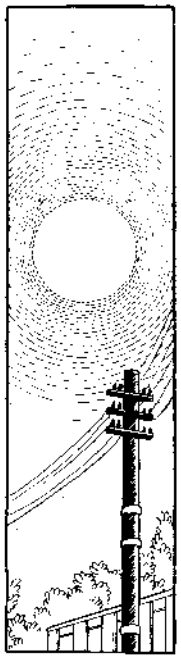

:PUFF PUFF: I'VE GOT TO EARN SOMETHING TOWARD MY DEBTS- EVEN A LITTLE...

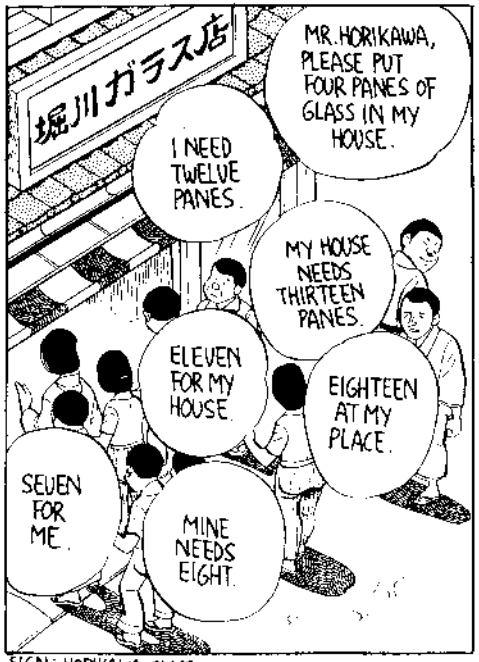

GLASS FOR SALE!
GET YOUR WINDOWS REPLACED!



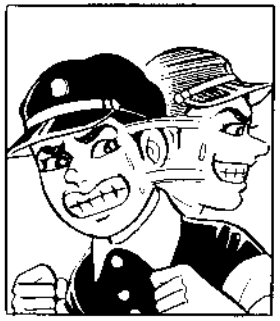


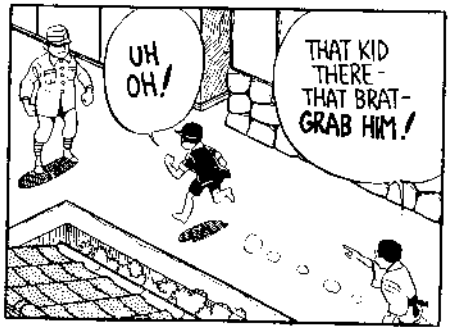


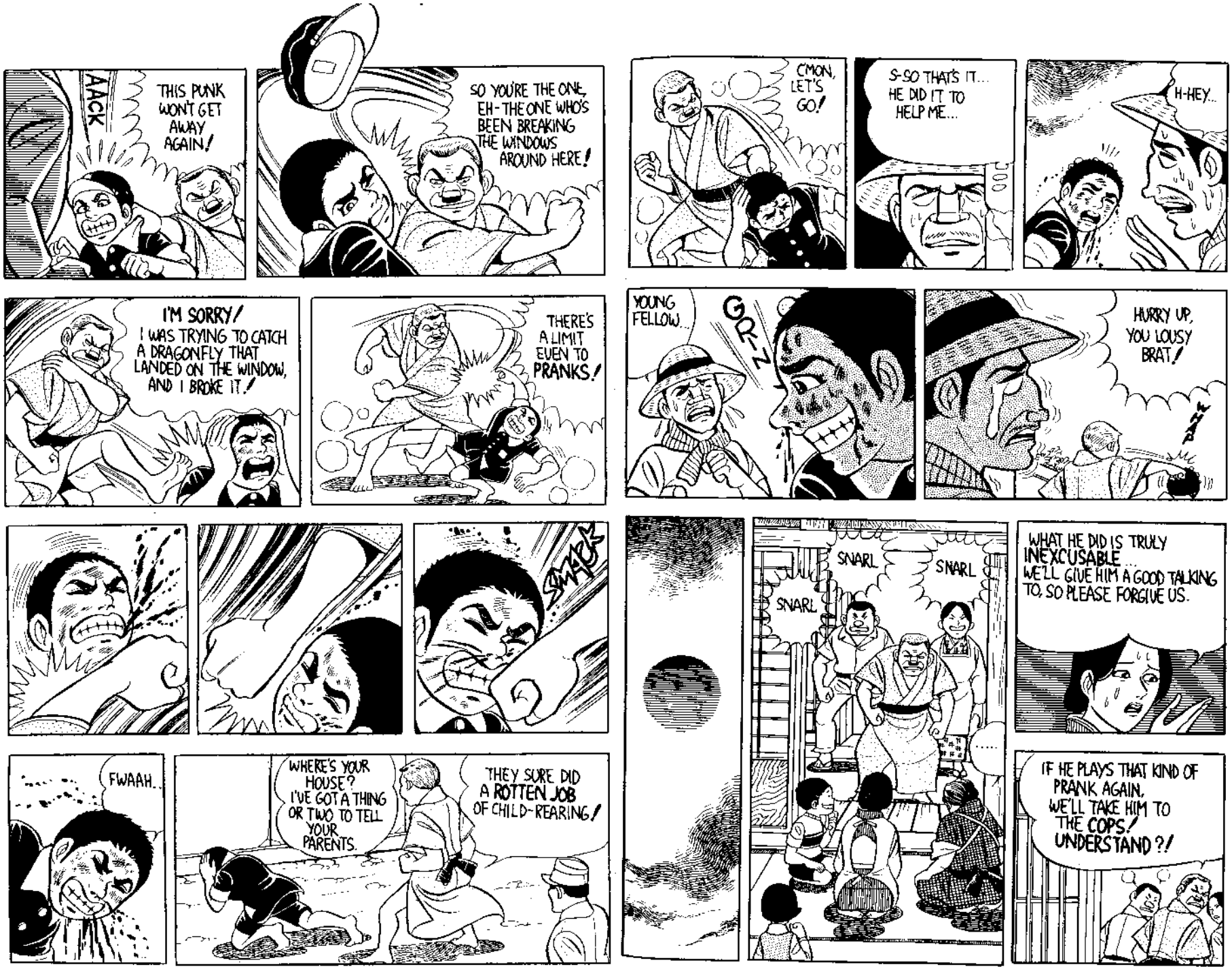



堀川ガラス店
MR. HORIKAWA, PLEASE PUT FOUR PANES OF GLASS IN MY HOUSE.
I NEED TWELVE PANES.
MY HOUSE NEEDS THIRTEEN PANES.
ELEVEN FOR MY HOUSE.
EIGHTEEN AT MY PLACE.
SEVEN FOR ME.
MINE NEEDS EIGHT.

SIGN: HORIKAWA GLASS

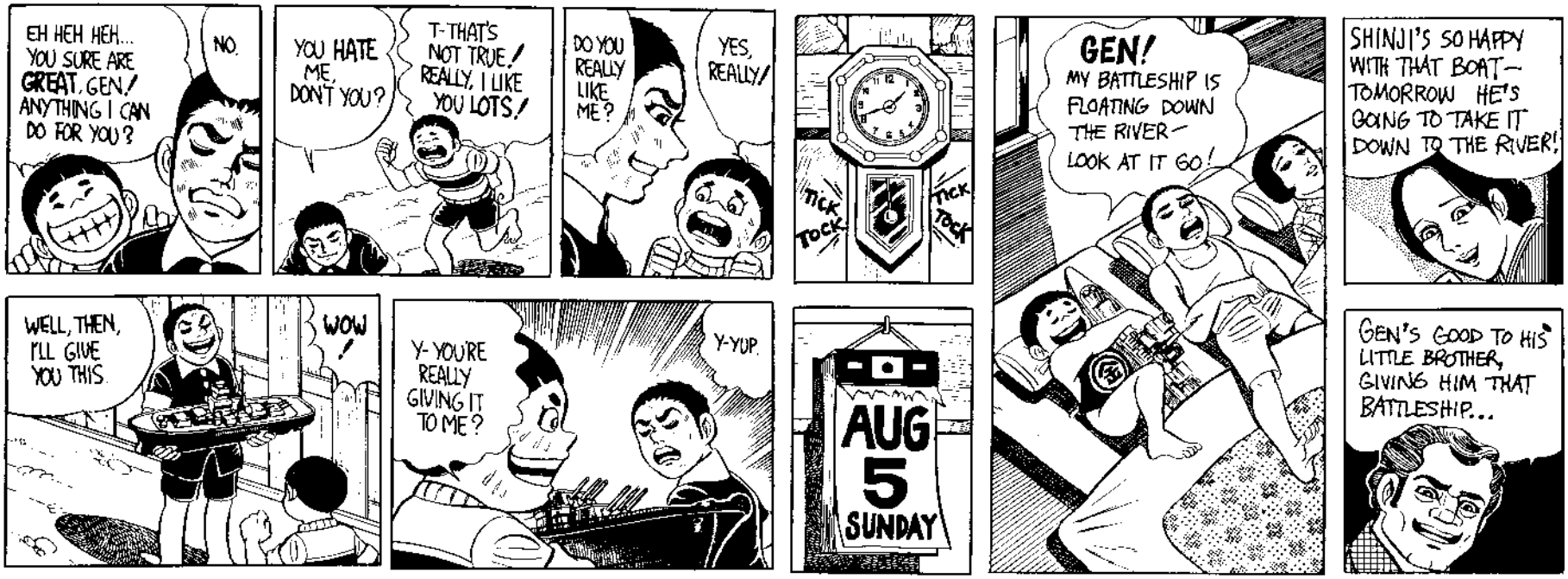





AACK
THIS PUNK WON'T GET AWAY AGAIN!
SO YOU'RE THE ONE, EH-THE ONE WHO'S BEEN BREAKING THE WINDOWS AROUND HERE!
CMON, LET'S GO!
S-SO THAT'S IT... HE DID IT TO HELP ME...
H-HEY...
I'M SORRY! I WAS TRYING TO CATCH A DRAGONFLY THAT LANDED ON THE WINDOW, AND I BROKE IT!
THERE'S A LIMIT EVEN TO PRANKS!
YOUNG FELLOW...
GRRZ
HURRY UP, YOU LOUSY BRAT!
SMACK
FWAAH...
WHERE'S YOUR HOUSE? I'VE GOT A THING OR TWO TO TELL YOUR PARENTS.
THEY SURE DID A ROTTEN JOB OF CHILD-REARING!
SNARL
SNARL
SNARL
WHAT HE DID IS TRULY INEXCUSABLE... WE'LL GIVE HIM A GOOD TALKING TO, SO PLEASE FORGIVE US.
IF HE PLAYS THAT KIND OF PRANK AGAIN, WE'LL TAKE HIM TO THE COPS! UNDERSTAND?!

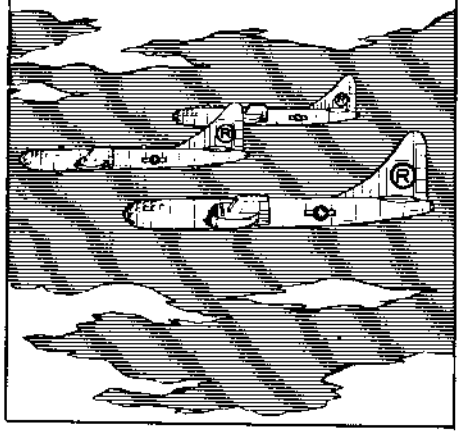
OOPS!
AACK
WHAT KIND OF STUPID IDIOT...
SEE, YOU'RE NOT SO SMART EITHER!
SHADDUP!
YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND!
HEE HEE! YOU LOOK LIKE AN OUTLAW, GEN!
COME HERE-!
YIEEE! I'M SORRY PAPA!
YAAGH! I'M SORRY, I'M SORRY!
BOK
YOU IMBECILE!!
THAT POOR OLD GUY'S BEEN THROUGH SO MUCH IN THE WAR. IT'S WORTH IT TO GET INTO TROUBLE...
BIG BROTHER'S A DUMMY, A DUMMY!
SHUT UP! I'LL GET YOU LATER!
THIS TIME I WON'T FORGIVE YOU.
FUMP
MAMA, HELPP! EIKO, HELPPPP! SHINJI, HELPP!
HEEHEEE!
TICKLE TICKLE
YAAH-- STOP IT, SHINJI!
A-HAH HAHH
TICKLE TICKLE
WA HA HAH- S-STOP, SHINJI--
YOU ALWAYS ACT LIKE YOURE SO GREAT! NOW I'M GONNA GET BACK AT YOU!
YAA HA HA HA WHOO HOO HOO I CAN'T STAND IT, STOP!!

W-WE HAD NO IDEA... GEN BROKE THE GLASS TO HELP YOU...
WOW! IT'S THAT BATTLE-SHIP!
GEN... MR. HORIKAWA FROM THE GLASS STORE BROUGHT THIS TO GIVE TO YOU.
EAT YOUR HEART OUT!
I BLEW IT! IF I HADN'T TEASED GEN I BET HE'D LEND ME THIS SHIP.
TODAY HAS BEEN THE HAPPIEST DAY OF MY LIFE.
GEN. GO THANK MR. HORIKAWA. HE GAVE YOU HIS SON'S PRECIOUS KEEPSAKE.
YEAH
GEN. FROM NOW ON SPEAK THE TRUTH!
EH HEH HEH-- DID I GET FOUND OUT? S-SORRY, PAPA!
HEH HEH... HE'S GROWING INTO A STURDY ONE.
HEEY, GEN, WAIT!!
I'D LIKE YOU TO GIVE THIS TO GEN. IT'S THE ONLY WAY I CAN REPAY HIM.
THAT FOOL- HE WOULDN'T EVEN TELL ME....
YOU HAVE A FINE SON, SIR.
HEY THERE, SON, TAKE GOOD CARE OF THAT SHIP!
I-I SURE WILL, MISTER! THANK YOU!
MISTER, IF YOU NEED HELP, LET ME KNOW AND I'LL BREAK MORE GLASS FOR YOU!!
TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF, MR. HORIKAWA
T-THANK YOU.
PAPA, WHEN ARE YOU GONNA LET GEN DOWN?
WAAH-- I'M HUNGRY --!
GOODBYE!
HANG IN THERE MISTER!


EH HEH HEH... YOU SURE ARE GREAT, GEN! ANYTHING I CAN DO FOR YOU?
NO.
YOU HATE ME, DON'T YOU?
T-THAT'S NOT TRUE! REALLY, I LIKE YOU LOTS!
DO YOU REALLY LIKE ME?
YES, REALLY!
TICK TOCK
TICK TOCK
GEN! MY BATTLESHIP IS FLOATING DOWN THE RIVER— LOOK AT IT GO!
SHINJI'S SO HAPPY WITH THAT BOAT— TOMORROW HE'S GOING TO TAKE IT DOWN TO THE RIVER!
WELL, THEN, I'LL GIVE YOU THIS.
WOW!
Y-YOU'RE REALLY GIVING IT TO ME?
Y-YUP.
AUG 5 SUNDAY
GEN'S GOOD TO HIS LITTLE BROTHER, GIVING HIM THAT BATTLESHIP...
T-THANKS, GEN! GOSH, I'VE GOT A SWELL BROTHER!
GEE!
SHINJI, DON'T ACT LIKA DOG ANYMORE, UNDERSTAND?
LOOK, DEAR— WHAT A BEAUTIFUL SKY!
UM-M— THE WEATHER WILL BE GOOD TOMORROW, BUT IT'S GONNA BE HOT.
AT THE SAME TIME, UNDER THAT SAME STARRY SKY AT THE AMERICAN ATOMIC BOMB SQUADRON'S BASE IN THE MARIANA ISLANDS, SEVEN B-29 BOMBERS WERE PREPARING TO HEAD FOR JAPAN.
ALL HANDS ON DECK! BATTEN THE HATCHES!
YAHOO! BANZAI!
YOWEE! GEN, TOMORROW LET'S FLOAT IT ON THE RIVER!
GEE, I WANTED THAT SHIP TOO. IT'S HARD TO GIVE IT UP, ≤SIGH≤

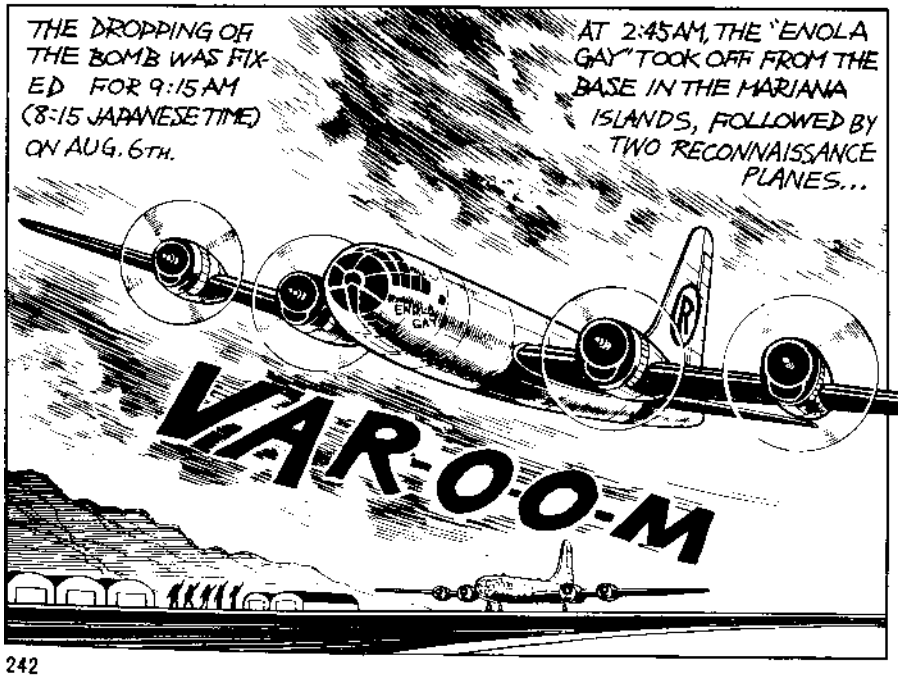
ONE OF THOSE SEVEN, NAMED THE "ENOLA GAY" AFTER THE MOTHER OF THE PILOT, LOADED WITH THE ATOMIC BOMB "LITTLE BOY" WAS BEING READIED FOR TAKEOFF.

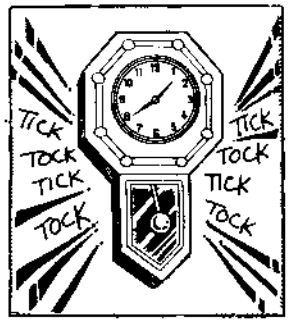
AT 1:35AM THREE WEATHER RECONNAISSANCE PLANES TOOK OFF FOR HIROSHIMA, THE NUMBER ONE TARGET CITY, AND REPORTED "IDEAL WEATHER"; IT WAS DECIDED THEN TO DROP THE ATOMIC BOMB ON HIROSHIMA.

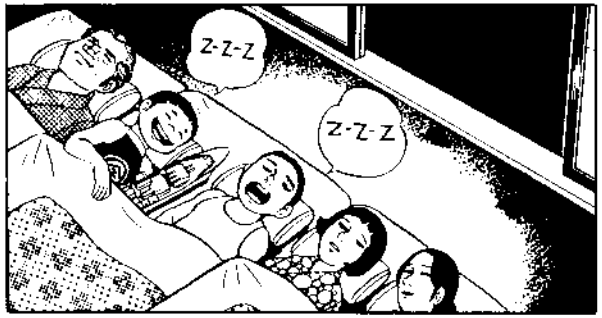


THE DROPPING OF THE BOMB WAS FIXED FOR 9:15AM (8:15 JAPANESE TIME) ON AUG. 6TH.

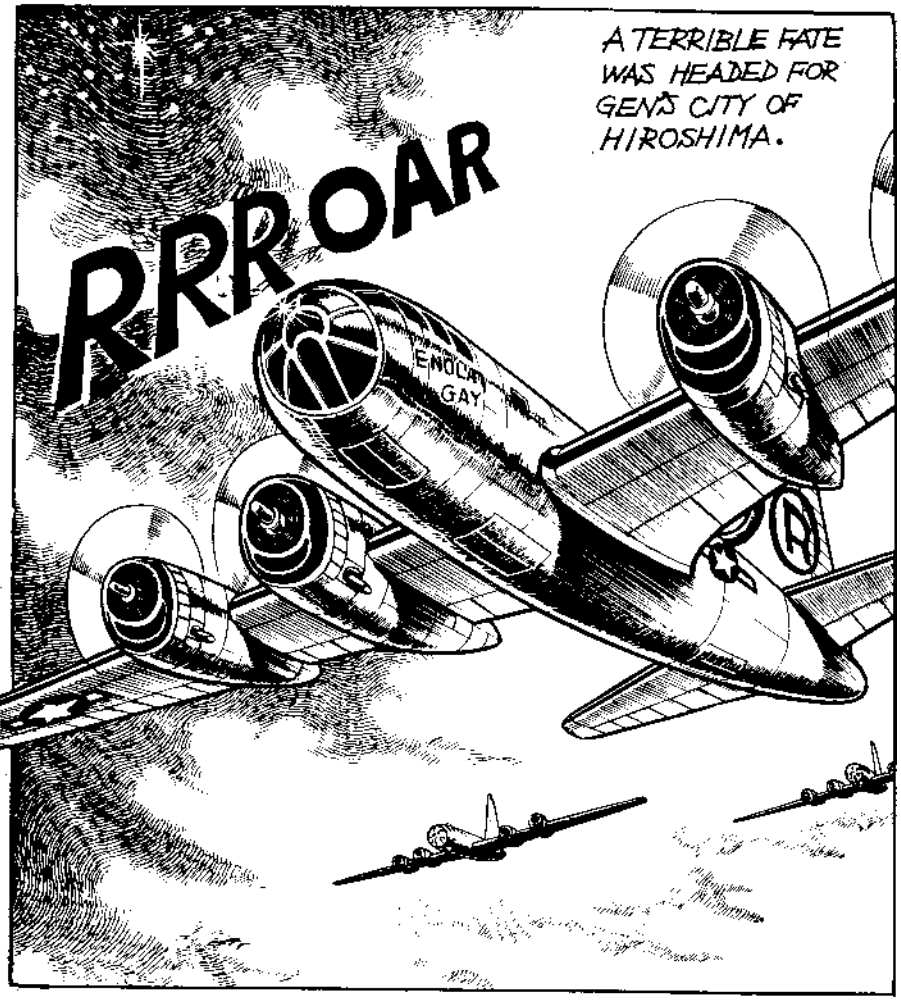
AT 2:45AM, THE "ENOLA GAY" TOOK OFF FROM THE BASE IN THE MARIANA ISLANDS, FOLLOWED BY TWO RECONNAISSANCE PLANES...



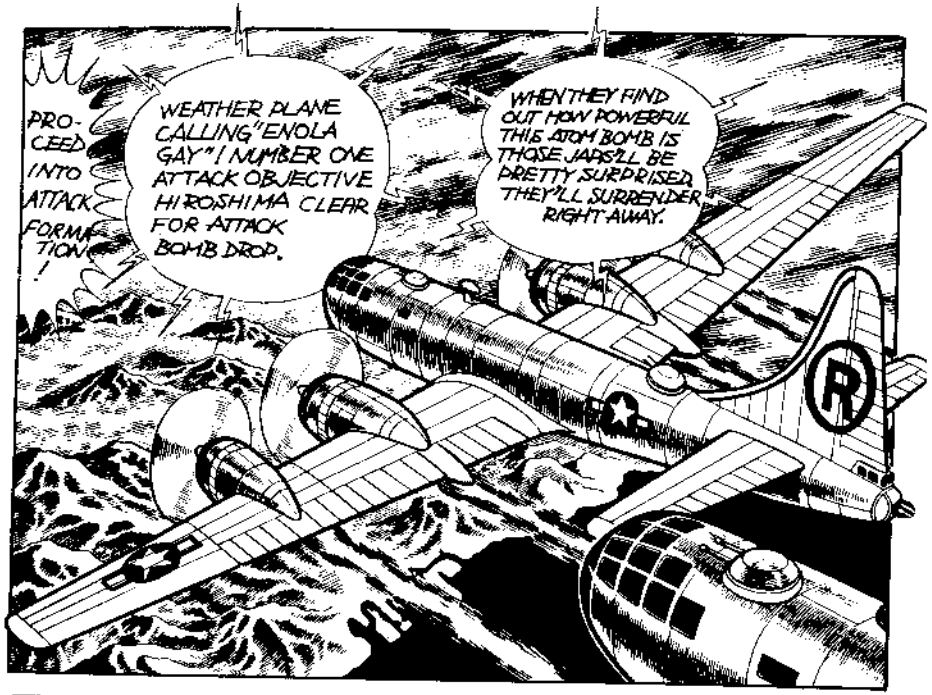


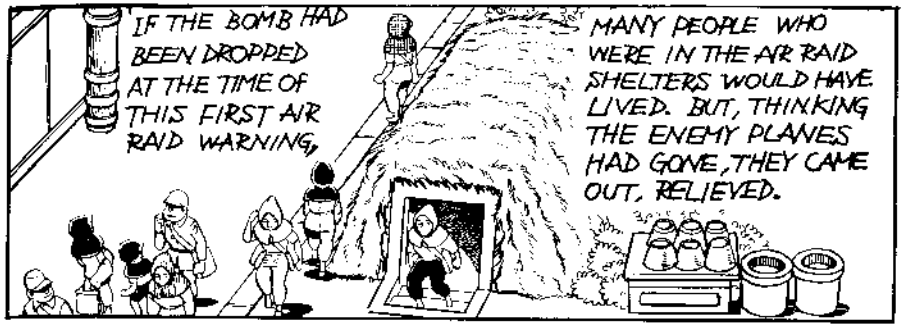


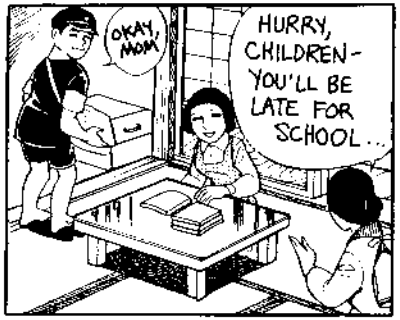
A TERRIBLE FATE WAS HEADED FOR GEN'S CITY OF HIROSHIMA.



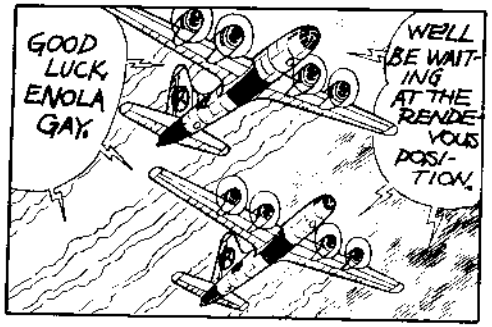
AUG 6 MONDAY
TICK TOCK
TICK TOCK
WHEE-E-E
OH, NO- IT'S AN AIR RAID!
DEAR-
THE ENEMY PLANES ARE SURE EARLY TODAY!
OH, GEN- LOOK
WOW, EIKO! WHAT A BEAUTIFUL DAY- THE SKY'S SO BLUE!
QUICK!
HURRY! HURRY!
AIR RAID! AIR RAID!
EIKO... GEN- BETTER GET READY FOR SCHOOL...
O.K., MAMA
I HOPE YOU'RE RIGHT...
DON'T WORRY, MOM- IT'S JUST A SCOUT PLANE- THEY'LL BE GONE REAL SOON..
-ANYWAY, THERE'S A "P" ON OUR ROOF, SO THEY WON'T HIT IT.
V-R-R-R-O-O-OM! ZOOM, ZOOM, ZOOM KA-BOOM!
THAT'S A MIGHTY FINE BATTLESHIP GEN GAVE YOU, SHINJI!
I KNOW! -AND I SURE LOVE GEN!
RIGHT ON SCHEDULE— THE BOMB WILL DROP AT 08:15 JAPAN STANDARD TIME
BAR-O-O-OM
WE'RE ALMOST OVER HIRO-SHIMA.

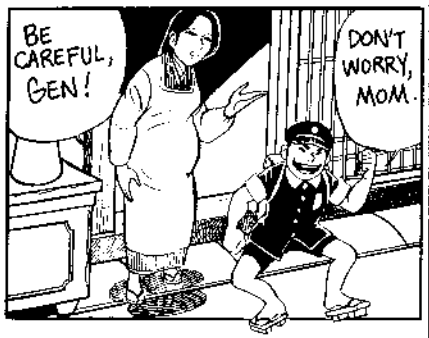

PRO-CEED INTO ATTACK FORMA-TION!
WEATHER PLANE CALLING "ENOLA GAY"! NUMBER ONE ATTACK OBJECTIVE HIROSHIMA CLEAR FOR ATTACK BOMB DROP.
WHEN THEY FIND OUT HOW POWERFUL THIS ATOM BOMB IS THOSE JAPS'LL BE PRETTY SURPRISED. THEY'LL SURRENDER RIGHT AWAY.

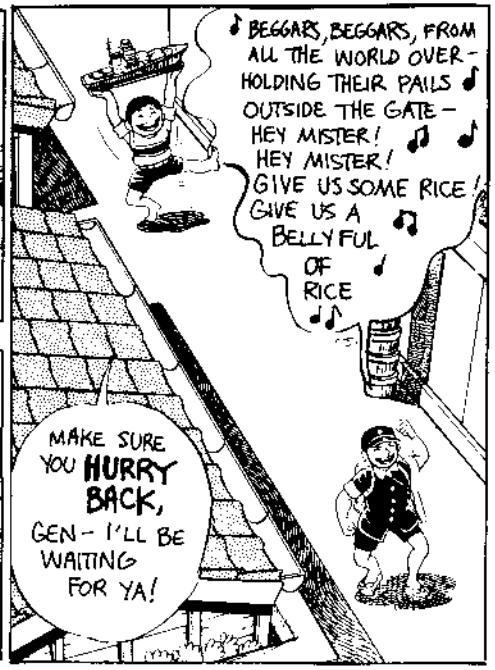

IF THE BOMB HAD BEEN DROPPED AT THE TIME OF THIS FIRST AIR RAID WARNING,
MANY PEOPLE WHO WERE IN THE AIR RAID SHELTERS WOULD HAVE LIVED. BUT, THINKING THE ENEMY PLANES HAD GONE, THEY CAME OUT, RELIEVED.


OKAY, MOM.
HURRY, CHILDREN - YOU'LL BE LATE FOR SCHOOL...

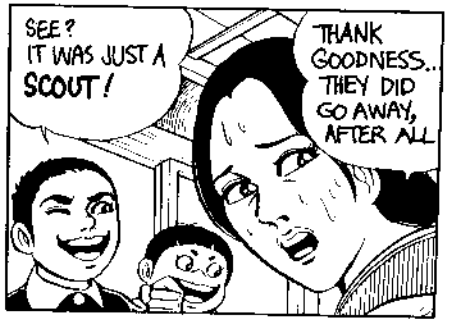
I'M GOING ON AHEAD, EIKO.

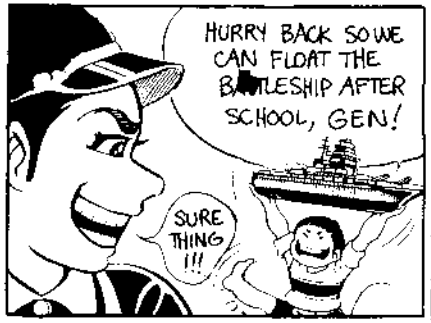

GOOD LUCK, ENOLA GAY.
WE'LL BE WAITING AT THE RENDE-VOUS POSI-TION.

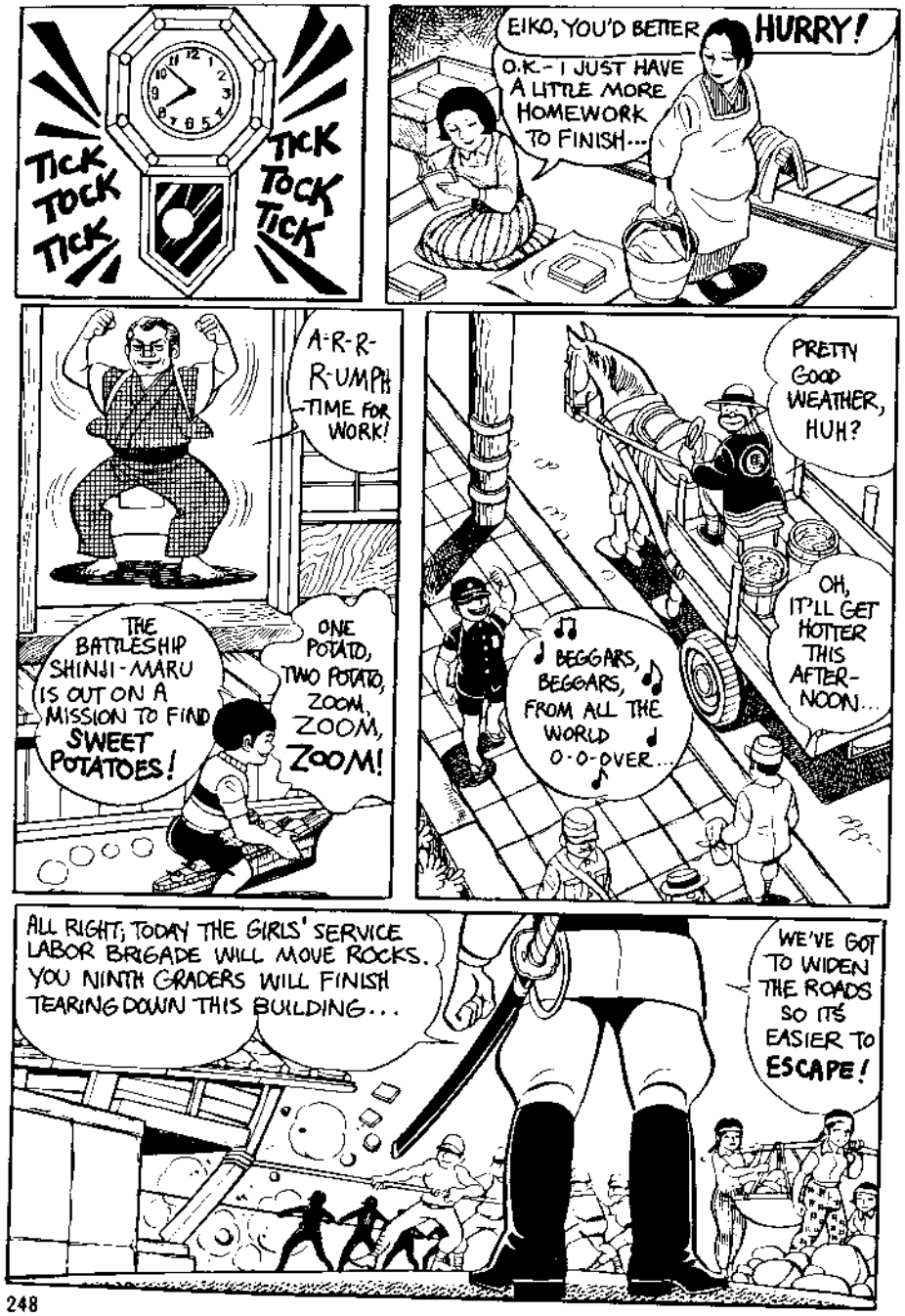

BE CAREFUL, GEN!
DON'T WORRY, MOM.


♪ BEGGARS, BEGGARS, FROM ALL THE WORLD OVER - HOLDING THEIR PAILS ♪ OUTSIDE THE GATE - HEY MISTER! ♪ ♪ HEY MISTER! GIVE US SOME RICE! GIVE US A ♪ BELLY FUL ♪ OF RICE ♪ ♪
MAKE SURE YOU HURRY BACK, GEN - I'LL BE WAITING FOR YA!

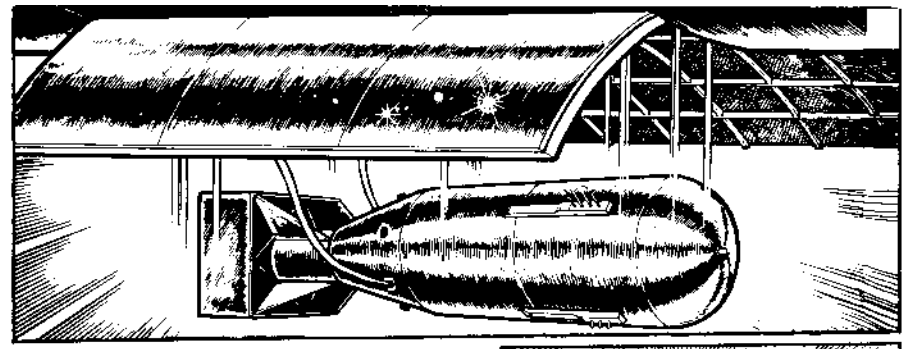
ALL CLEAR!
ALL CLEAR!

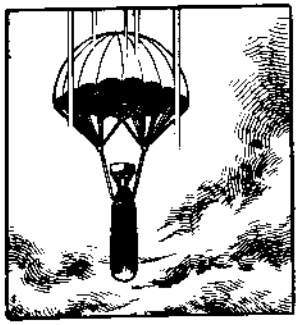

SEE? IT WAS JUST A SCOUT!
THANK GOODNESS.. THEY DID GO AWAY, AFTER ALL


HURRY BACK SO WE CAN FLOAT THE BATTLESHIP AFTER SCHOOL, GEN!
SURE THING!!!

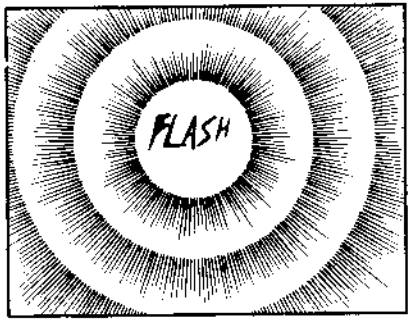

TICK TOCK TICK
TICK TOCK TICK
EIKO, YOU'D BETTER HURRY!
O.K.- I JUST HAVE A LITTLE MORE HOMEWORK TO FINISH...
A-R-R-R-UMPH! TIME FOR WORK!
THE BATTLESHIP SHINJI-MARU IS OUT ON A MISSION TO FIND SWEET POTATOES!
ONE POTATO, TWO POTATO, ZOOM, ZOOM, ZOOM!
PRETTY GOOD WEATHER, HUH?
♪ BEGGARS, BEGGARS, FROM ALL THE WORLD O-O-OVER... ♪
OH, IT'LL GET HOTTER THIS AFTERNOON...
ALL RIGHT; TODAY THE GIRLS' SERVICE LABOR BRIGADE WILL MOVE ROCKS. YOU NINTH GRADERS WILL FINISH TEARING DOWN THIS BUILDING...
WE'VE GOT TO WIDEN THE ROADS SO IT'S EASIER TO ESCAPE!

UNAWARE OF THE HELL THAT WAS APPROACHING IN THE SKY, HIROSHIMA BEGAN THE DAY AS USUAL...
EXCUSE ME, YOUNG MAN-
YES, MA'AM?
SIGN: "KAMIYAMA NATIONAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL"
IS THE FIRST GRADE CLASS HELD AT THE SCHOOL OR THE TEMPLE?
GEE, I DON'T KNOW- YOU'LL HAVE TO ASK THE TEACHER...
HEY!
IT'S A B-29!
WHEN DID IT GET HERE?
THAT'S STRANGE- THE SIRENS DIDN'T EVEN GO OFF...
THE FUSELAGE IS SHINING IN THE SUN...
ENOLA GAY
ALTITUDE 31,600 FEET- LET IT GO!

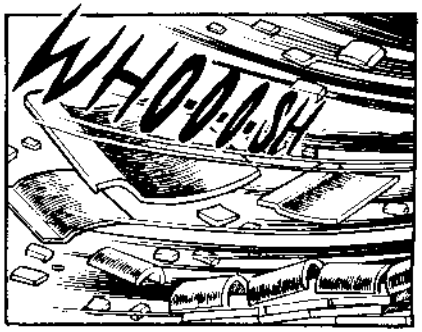




...THERE'S SOMETHING WHITE FALLING...


FLASH

43 SECONDS LATER, 1800 FEET OVER HIROSHIMA, THE ATOMIC BOMB NAMED "THIN BOY" EXPLODED WITH A WHITE-HOT LIGHT— IT WAS AS IF A MILLION FLASHBULBS HAD GONE OFF AT ONCE...
FLASH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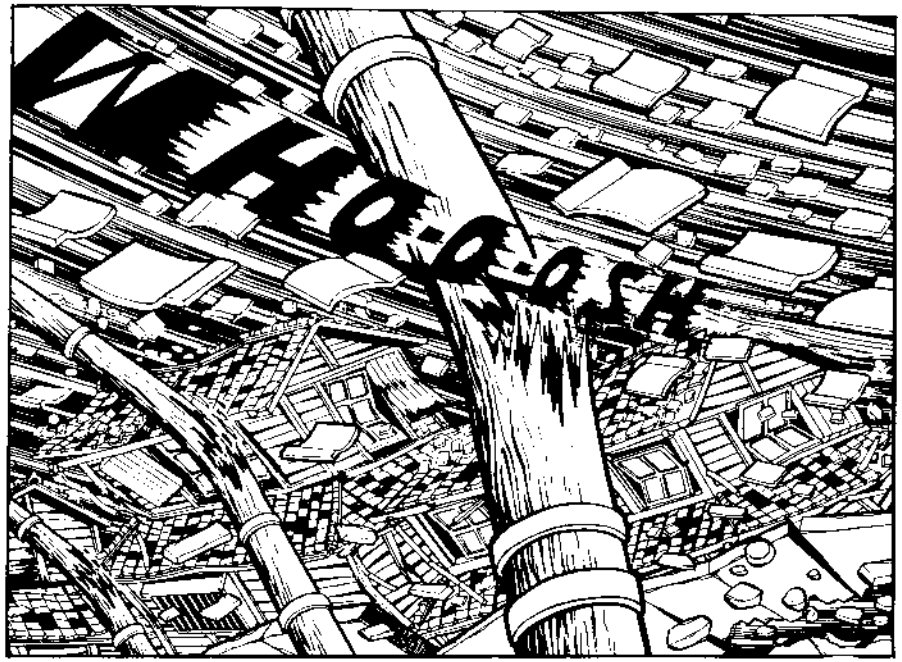
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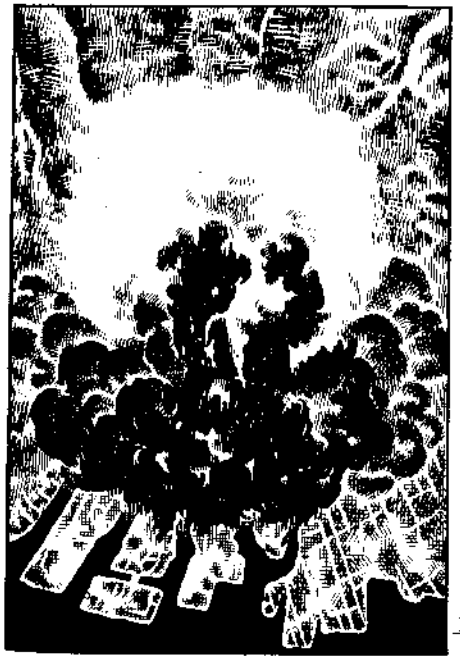
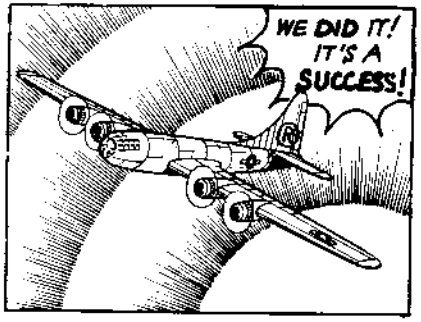
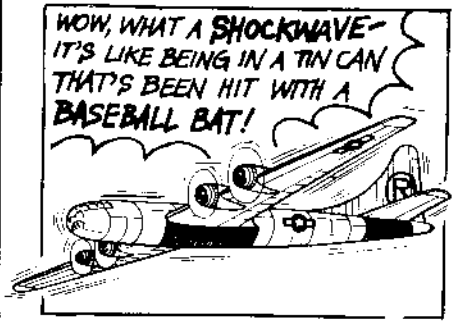
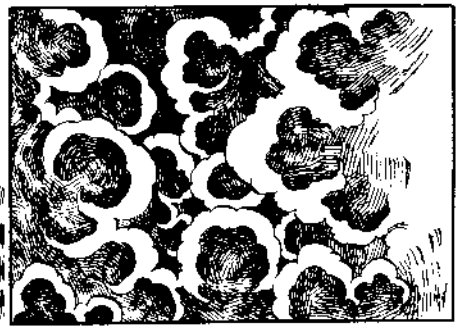



WE DID IT! IT'S A SUCCESS!

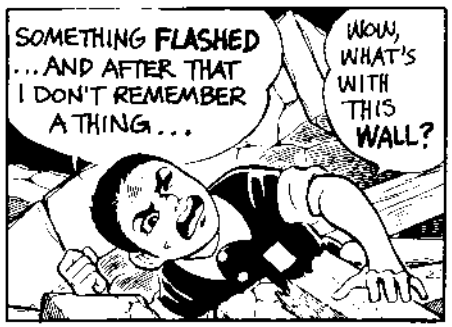

WOW, WHAT A SHOCKWAVE— IT'S LIKE BEING IN A TIN CAN THAT'S BEEN HIT WITH A BASEBALL BAT!

LIKE A WIND FROM HELL, THE ATOMIC CLOUD ROARED UP 6 MILES INTO THE SKY OVER HIROSHIMA...



UH-H-H-H

..UH-H-H... WHAT HAPPENED? IT'S PITCH DARK!.. NIGHT ALREADY?
HOW COULD THAT BE? I WAS ON MY WAY TO SCHOOL...


SOMETHING FLASHED ...AND AFTER THAT I DON'T REMEMBER A THING...
WOW, WHAT'S WITH THIS WALL?

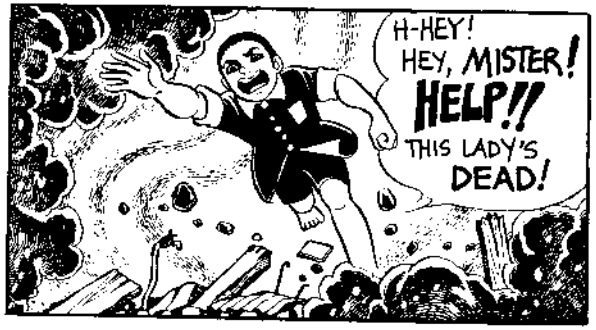
GASP!

IT'S... IT'S THE LADY I WAS JUST TALKING TO —WHAT'S HAPPENED TO HER SKIN?

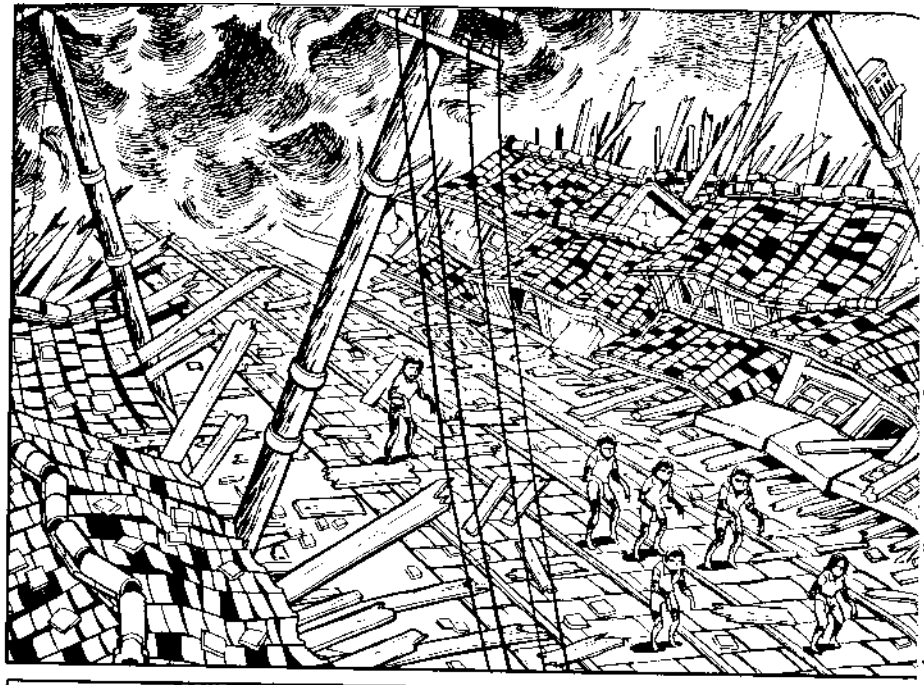
L-L-L- LADY?

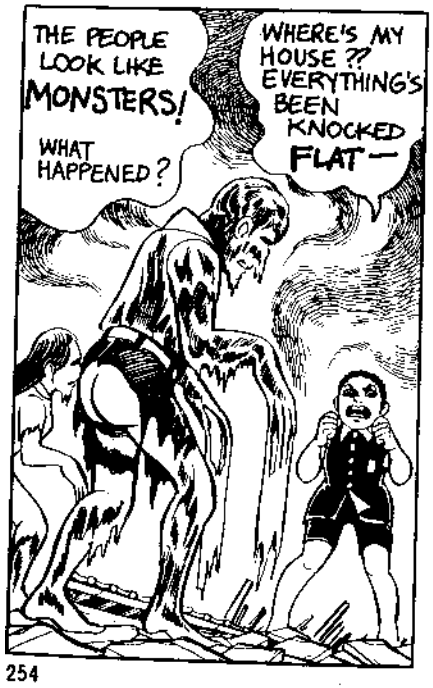
SHE'S... SHE'S DEAD!
MA!!! MA-A-A-A

...SOME-ONE'S COMING!

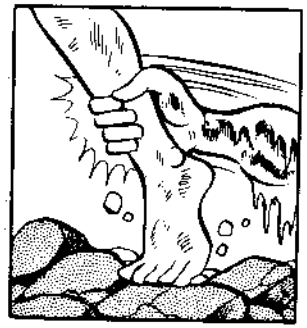

H-HEY! HEY, MISTER! HELP!! THIS LADY'S DEAD!

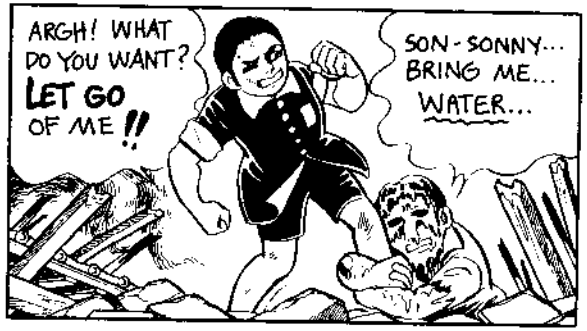
GASP!




THE PEOPLE LOOK LIKE MONSTERS!
WHAT HAPPENED?
WHERE'S MY HOUSE?? EVERYTHING'S BEEN KNOCKED FLAT—

PAPA...!
MAMA...!
EIKO...!
SHINJI...!




ARGH! WHAT DO YOU WANT? LET GO OF ME!!
SON-SONNY... BRING ME... WATER...

...PLEASE... ...PLEASE... MY THROAT IS BURNING... ...WATER...

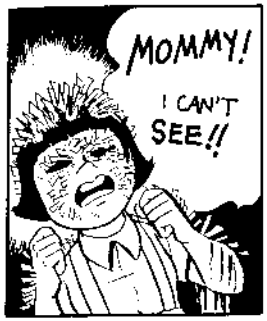
HANG ON, MISTER, JUST HANG ON — I'LL GET SOME...
QUICK...
...QUICK...

WHE-HE-HE
THE HEAT OF THE EXPLOSION LITERALLY MELTED THE SKIN OF ALL WHO WEREN'T SHELTERED FROM THE RAYS... THOSE WEARING DARK CLOTHING WERE BURNED PARTICULARLY BADLY... MOST PEOPLE WERE LEFT NAKED, THEIR CLOTHING RIPPED AWAY BY THE FORCE OF THE BLAST...
WOW— THAT HORSE IS ON FIRE!!

I'LL USE THIS HELMET TO CARRY WATER IN...

HANG ON! I'LL WASH YOUR HANDS IN A SECOND...
THE BLAST STUCK ALL THIS GLASS INTO US!!

WHY DID ALL THIS HAPPEN—WHY? I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND...


MOMMY! I CAN'T SEE!!

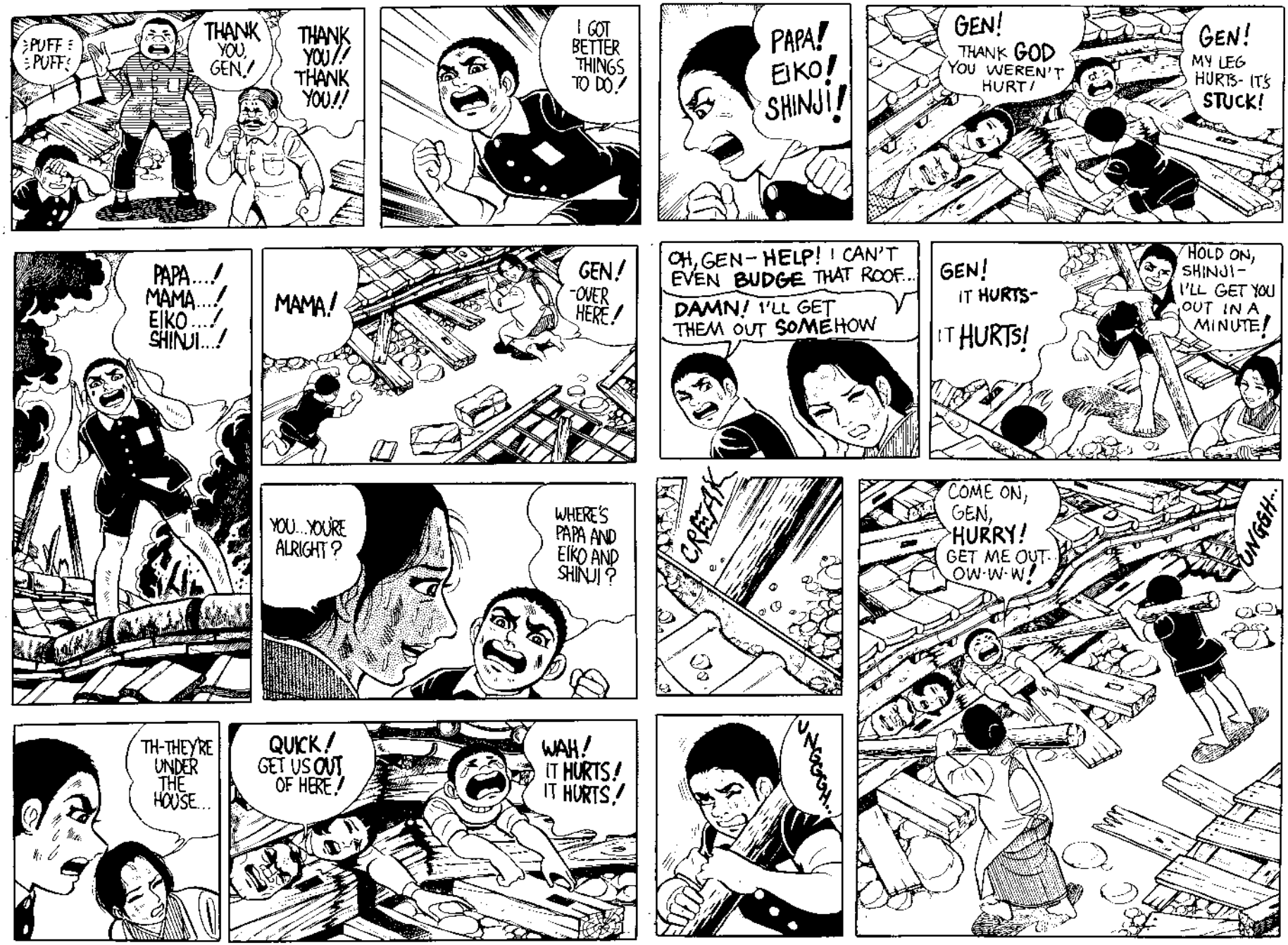
HEY, MISTER! I GOT YOU SOME WATER!

M-M-MISTER..?

HE... HE'S DEAD!

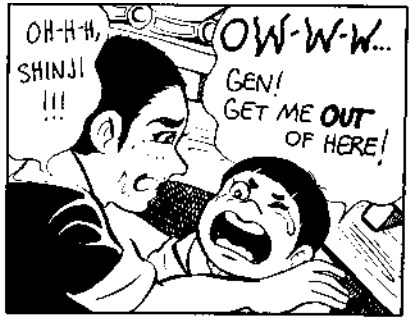
-GASP-
HELP!
-THE FIRE'S SPREADING THIS WAY!
RUN!

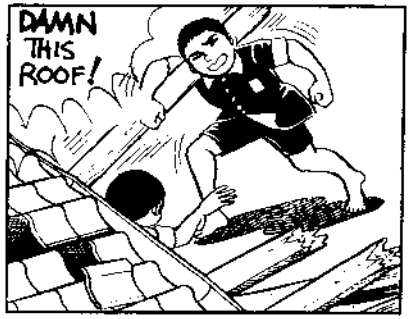
PUFF, PUFF
-MAMA!
-PAPA!
-EIKO!
-SHINJI!
YOU! NAKAOKA BOY! MOVE THIS BEAM — PLEASE!
HUMPH. YOU'VE GOT SOME NERVE! AFTER CAUSING US SO MUCH TROUBLE!
GEN! HELP US OUT OF HERE!
I BEG OF YOU— PLEASE!
CRUNCH!
CRUNCH!
CRUNCH!
IF YOU GET US OUT OF HERE, I'LL DO ANYTHING TO MAKE IT UP TO YOU...
GUESS THERE'S REALLY NO CHOICE - WHAT CAN I DO BUT HELP YOU?
SCRAPE
I CAN'T EVEN TELL WHICH HOUSE IS MINE — THEY'RE ALL JUMBLED UP
SOMEBODY..?
HELP!
H E L- L- P.
HELP! GET US OUT OF HERE, PLEASE!
WOW! IT'S THE BLOCK SUPERINTENDENT AND RYUKICHI!
O.K. WHEN I LIFT THIS BEAM, YOU SLIDE OUT... GOT IT?
UNNGH
WE GOT OUT! WE'RE SAVED!


PUFF PUFF
THANK YOU, GEN!
THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!!
I GOT BETTER THINGS TO DO!
PAPA! EIKO! SHINJI!
GEN! THANK GOD YOU WEREN'T HURT!
GEN! MY LEG HURTS- IT'S STUCK!
PAPA...! MAMA...! EIKO...! SHINJI...!
MAMA!
GEN! -OVER HERE!
OH, GEN- HELP! I CAN'T EVEN BUDGE THAT ROOF...
DAMN! I'LL GET THEM OUT SOMEHOW
GEN! IT HURTS- IT HURTS!
HOLD ON, SHINJI- I'LL GET YOU OUT IN A MINUTE!
YOU...YOU'RE ALRIGHT?
WHERE'S PAPA AND EIKO AND SHINJI?
CREAK
COME ON, GEN, HURRY! GET ME OUT- OW-W-W!
UNGGH...
TH-THEY'RE UNDER THE HOUSE...
QUICK! GET US OUT OF HERE!
WAH! IT HURTS! IT HURTS!
UNGGH...

D-DAMN! IT WON'T BUDGE!!
OH-H-H- WHAT'LL WE DO?
OW-W-W
O-W-W-W
I KNOW! I'LL GET THE BLOCK SUPERINTENDENT AND RYUKICHI TO HELP! THEY CAN'T HAVE GONE VERY FAR!!
STOP! WAIT! I NEED YOUR HELP!
COME ON, RYUKICHI- WE'VE GOTTA RUN- IF WE DON'T, THE FIRE'LL GET US, TOO!
YOU RATS! YOU NO-GOOD BASTARDS!!!
I'LL NEVER FORGET THIS! YOU RATS!
PAPA-EIKO-SHINJI— HOLD ON, O.K.? I'LL GO GET SOME HELP!
WAIT! MY FAMILY'S CAUGHT UNDER OUR HOUSE— I NEED YOUR HELP!
ROAR
COME ON, QUICK— COME BACK AND HELP ME!
ARE YOU CRAZY? THE FIRE'S GETTING CLOSER AND CLOSER! IF YOU DON'T ESCAPE, YOU'LL BURN UP, TOO!
HEY- DIDN'T I JUST HELP YOU? NOW IT'S YOUR TURN - YOU'VE GOTTA HELP..
...YOU SAID YOU'D DO ANYTHING FOR ME..
OMIGOD- THE FIRE'S GETTING CLOSER!
SOMEBODY! SOMEBODY, HELP! -HELP ME RESCUE MY FAMILY!
SOMEBODY! ANYBODY!
KIMIE! CAN'T YOU DO SOMETHING? NO-- THE BEAM IS TOO HEAVY!
OH, THIS TERRIBLE BEAM!
SLAP! SLAP!

IT'S NO USE, MAMA— I CAN'T MOVE IT AND THERE'S NOBODY AROUND TO HELP W-WHAT SHOULD WE DO?
I DON'T KNOW, GEN— WHAT CAN WE DO??


OH-H-H, SHINJI !!!
OW-W-W... GEN! GET ME OUT OF HERE!

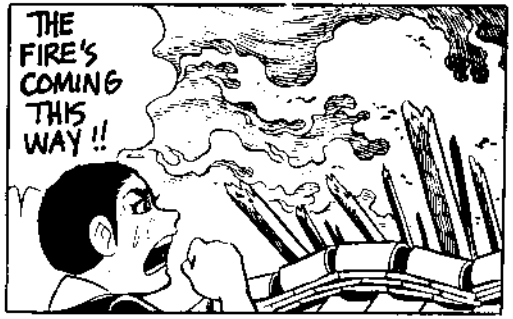

DAMN THIS ROOF!

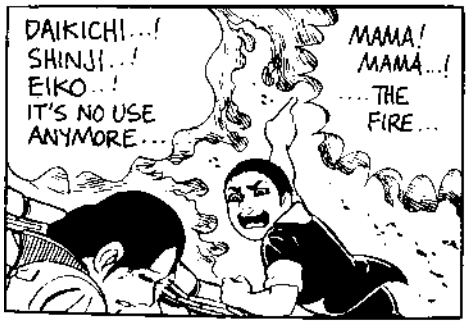
I'M GOING TO STAY HERE AND DIE WITH YOU...
SHINJI! SHINJI! DOES IT HURT?
YES, GEN— YES...

K-KIMIE! RUN!! TAKE GEN WITH YOU AND RUN!
—AT LEAST YOU TWO CAN BE SAVED!!

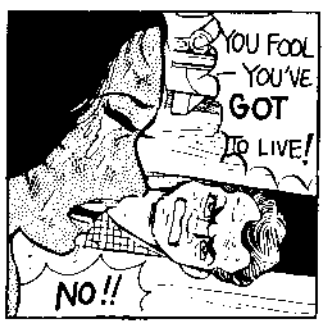
No! No!! I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE YOU— I CAN'T LEAVE SHINJI AND EIKO...
I'LL DIE WITH ALL OF YOU...

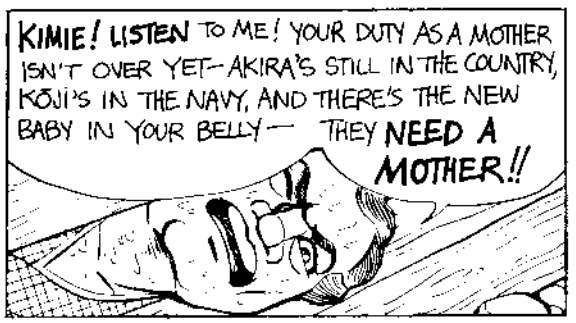
UNGGG... UNNNG..


THE FIRE'S COMING THIS WAY!!


DAIKICHI...! SHINJI..! EIKO..! IT'S NO USE ANYMORE...
MAMA! MAMA...! ....THE FIRE...

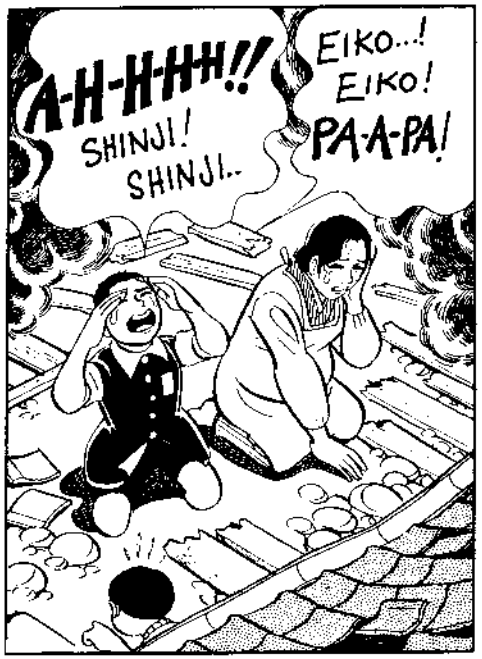
DAMN YOU, FIRE! GO AWAY!
GET BACK!!

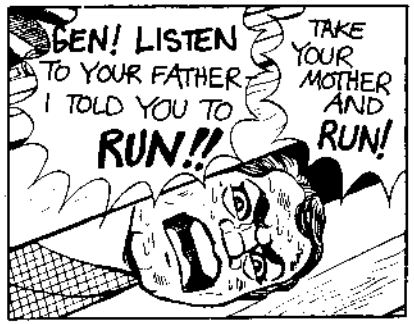

YOU FOOL— YOU'VE GOT TO LIVE!
NO!!

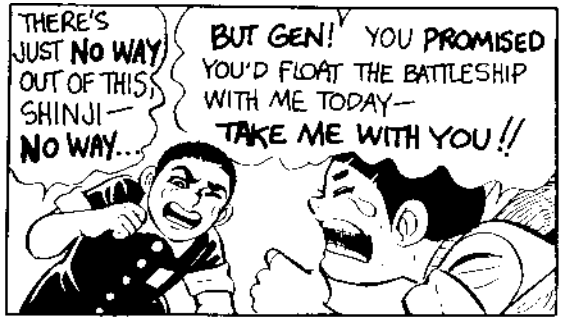

KIMIE! LISTEN TO ME! YOUR DUTY AS A MOTHER ISN'T OVER YET— AKIRA'S STILL IN THE COUNTRY, KŌJI'S IN THE NAVY, AND THERE'S THE NEW BABY IN YOUR BELLY— THEY NEED A MOTHER!!

NO! NO..! I DON'T WANT TO LEAVE YOU!
— I CAN'T LEAVE MY CHILDREN HERE TO DIE!

ME, NEITHER— I DON'T WANNA LEAVE EIKO AND SHINJI!
NO! NO! NO!
YOU FOOLS! GO ON! GET OUT OF HERE— GO!


A-H-H-HH!!
SHINJI!
SHINJI..
EIKO..!
EIKO!
PA-A-PA!

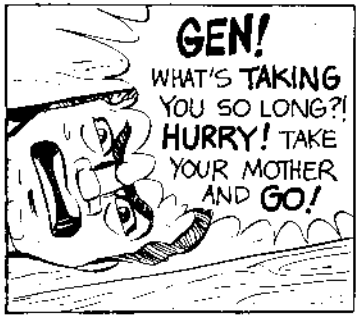

GEN! LISTEN TO YOUR FATHER I TOLD YOU TO RUN!!
TAKE YOUR MOTHER AND RUN!


THERE'S JUST NO WAY OUT OF THIS, SHINJI— NO WAY...
BUT GEN! YOU PROMISED YOU'D FLOAT THE BATTLESHIP WITH ME TODAY— TAKE ME WITH YOU!!

I HATE YOU, GEN- I HATE YOU!
WAA-A-A- I WANNA FLOAT MY BOAT ON THE RIVER..!

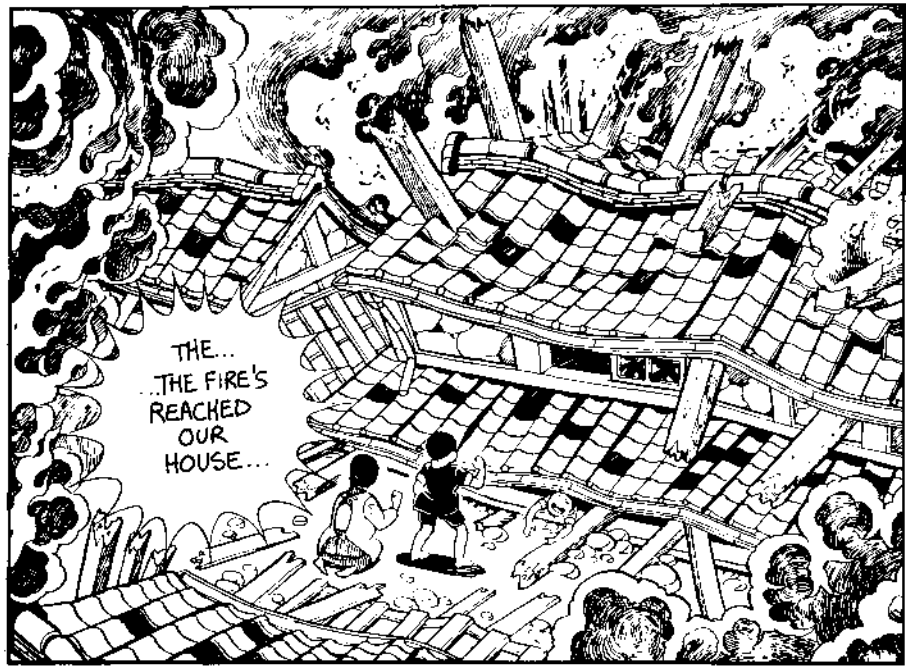
STOP CRYING, GEN- DON'T HURT ME MORE THAN IT ALREADY HURTS...

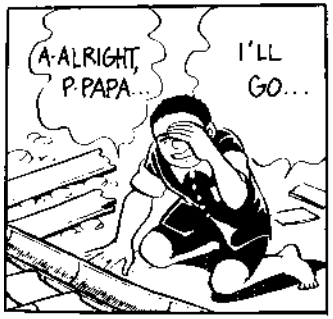
NO, PAPA, NO! I CAN'T!
GO- PLEASE!! I BEG OF YOU!

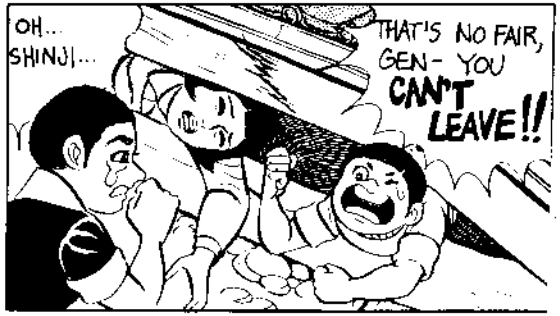

GEN!
WHAT'S TAKING YOU SO LONG?! HURRY! TAKE YOUR MOTHER AND GO!

C-R-R-ACKLE
C-R-RACKLE

GEN! BE STRONG- SNAP OUT OF IT!!
HURRY, OR YOU'LL GET CAUGHT IN THE FIRE!!

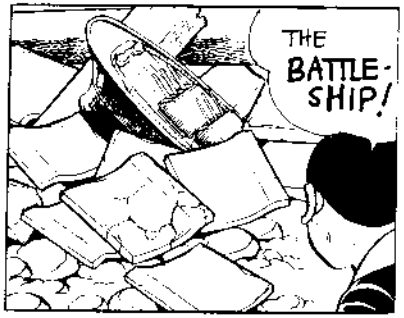

THE... ...THE FIRE'S REACHED OUR HOUSE...

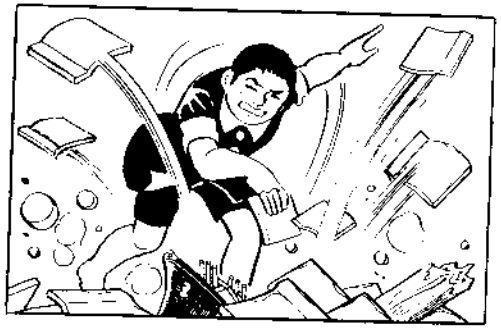

A-ALRIGHT, P-PAPA...
I'LL GO...


OH... SHINJI...
THAT'S NO FAIR, GEN- YOU CAN'T LEAVE!!

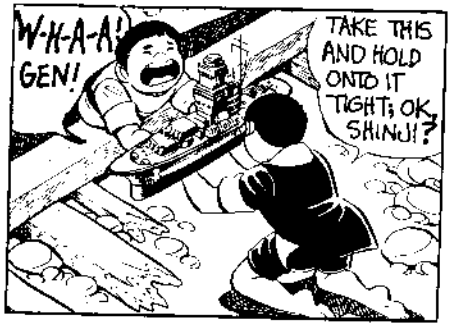
OH, SHINJI!! DON'T CRY! PLEASE DON'T CRY..!!
WH-A-A-A -GE-EN-N

HEY!

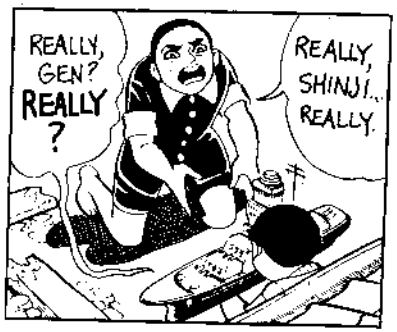

THE BATTLE-SHIP!

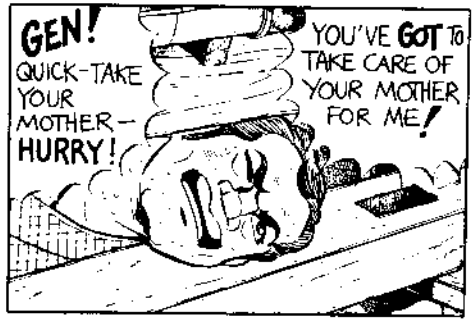


SHINJI!! I FOUND YOUR BATTLE-SHIP!

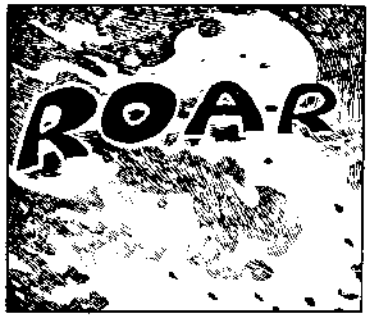

W-H-A-A! GEN!
TAKE THIS AND HOLD ONTO IT TIGHT; OK, SHINJI?

WILL MY BATTLESHIP GO FAST IF WE FLOAT IT ON THE RIVER, GEN? WILL IT? HUH?
S-SURE WILL, SHINJI- IT'S THE FASTEST IN ALL OF JAPAN!


REALLY, GEN? REALLY?
REALLY, SHINJI... REALLY.


GEN! QUICK-TAKE YOUR MOTHER- HURRY!
YOU'VE GOT TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR MOTHER FOR ME!

I-I-I UNDERSTAND, PAPA- I UNDER-STAND...
THERE'S A BABY IN YOUR MOTHER'S BELLY- YOUR NEW BROTHER OR SISTER.. YOU CAN'T DIE- YOU'VE GOT TO LIVE!


R-O-A-R

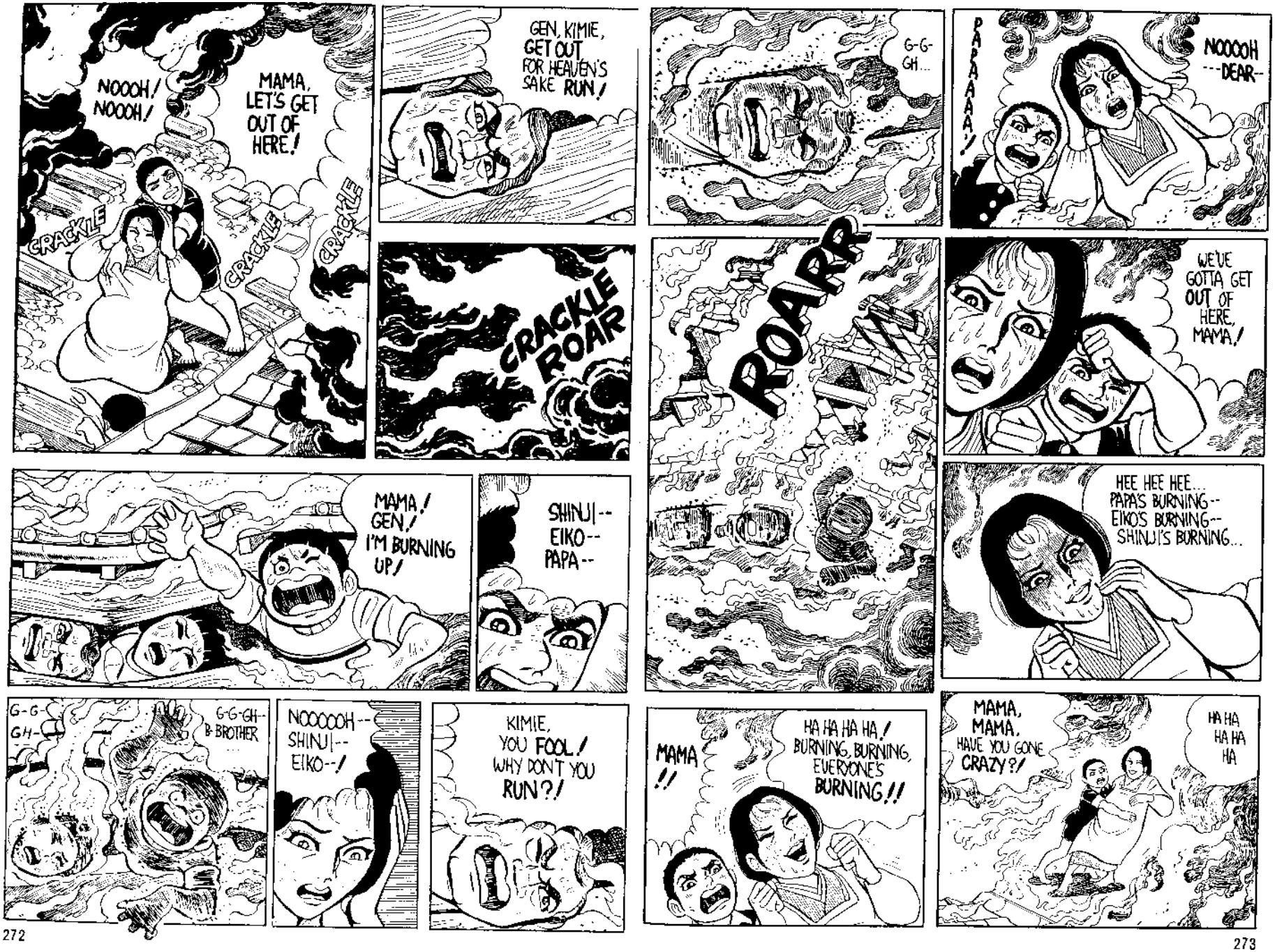
MAMA! IT HURTS!
WAH-H-H! IT'S HOT, GEN! IT'S HOT! THE FIRE'S ON MY LEGS!

SHINJI! EIKO! PAPA!
I'M GONNA- I GOTTA GO!

TAKE CARE OF YOUR MOTHER, GEN- DON'T GIVE UP!

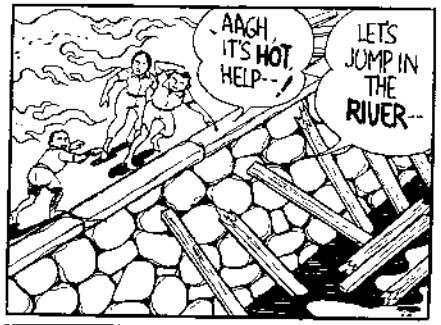
NO! I DON'T WANT TO GO!
MAMA! LET'S GO! WE HAVE TO DO AS PAPA SAYS...

COME ON, MAMA. LET'S GO— COME ON, MAMA—
No! No!
I'M GOING TO DIE WITH THEM!!
I'M GOING TO DIE WITH EVERYONE ELSE!!
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
W-W-WAAA!
WA-A-A-A!!
MAMA!
MAMA!!
ROARRR
CRRASH
RUN!
HELP!
A-A-A-G-H


NOOOH/ NOOOH/
MAMA, LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
GEN, KIMIE, GET OUT FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE RUN!
CRACKLE ROAR
MAMA! GEN! I'M BURNING UP!
SHINJI-- EIKO-- PAPA--
G-G-GH--
G-G-GH-- B-BROTHER
NOOOOOH-- SHINJI-- EIKO--!
KIMIE, YOU FOOL! WHY DON'T YOU RUN?!
G-G-GH...
ROARR
MAMA!!
HA HA HA HA! BURNING, BURNING, EVERYONE'S BURNING!!
PAPAAAAA!
NOOOOH ---DEAR--
WE'VE GOTTA GET OUT OF HERE, MAMA!
HEE HEE HEE... PAPA'S BURNING-- EIKO'S BURNING-- SHINJI'S BURNING...
MAMA, MAMA, HAVE YOU GONE CRAZY?!
HA HA HA HA HA

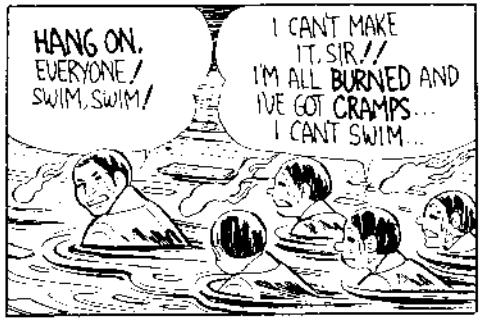
MAMA, MAMA, WE'VE GOTTA RUN!
HA HA HA HA
HA HA HA HA
SOMEBODY-- SOMEBODY HELP!!
DEAR... EIKO... SHINJI...
GEN! HURRY UP!
RO
AAR
HA HA HA HA
MAMAAAA! GET HOLD OF YOURSELF!
WHAT ARE YOU WAITING AROUND FOR? YOU'LL BE BURNED TO DEATH!
MR. PAK!
HELP, HELP!
OWWWW --
HELP--
SOMEBODY GET US OUT OF HERE! HELP! PLEASE!
OH, IT'S GEN AND MRS. NAKAOKA!
MR. PAK, HELP MY MAMA! SHE'S GONE CRAZY!
CRASH
AAGH!
PUFF PUFF ...
IT HURTS!
HELPP! HELP!
LET GO OF ME! I WANT TO DIE! I WANT TO DIE WITH PAPA AND EIKO AND SHINJI!
PULL YOURSELF TOGETHER, MA'AM!
YOU'VE LOST YOUR SENSES!
LET ME GO!!
HELP--
NAMU AMIDA BUTSU NAMU AMIDA BUTSU
HELP --

AAAH
HELP
HELP

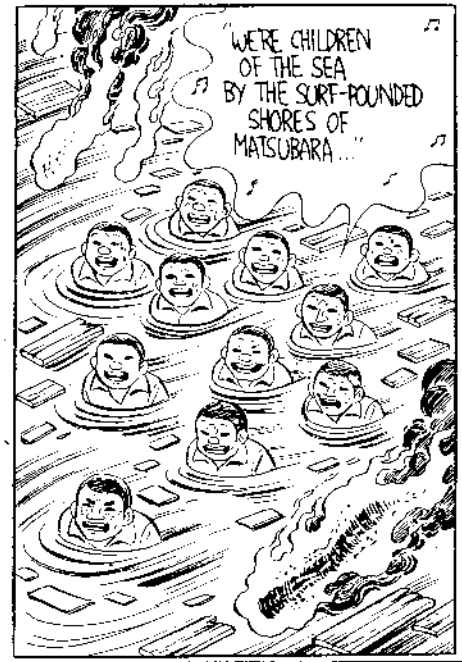

AAGH, IT'S HOT. HELP--!
LET'S JUMP IN THE RIVER--

GASP
GASP

GRAB ON TIGHT TO A PLANK AND DON'T LET GO!
THE FIRE'S REACHED BOTH BANKS! WE'LL BE DONE FOR UNLESS WE SWIM TO THE SEA!
OWWWW-- MAMA--

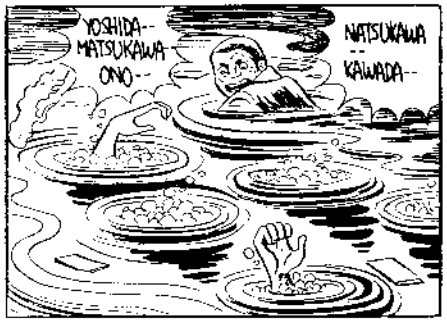

HANG ON, EVERYONE! SWIM, SWIM!
I CAN'T MAKE IT, SIR!! I'M ALL BURNED AND I'VE GOT CRAMPS... I CAN'T SWIM...

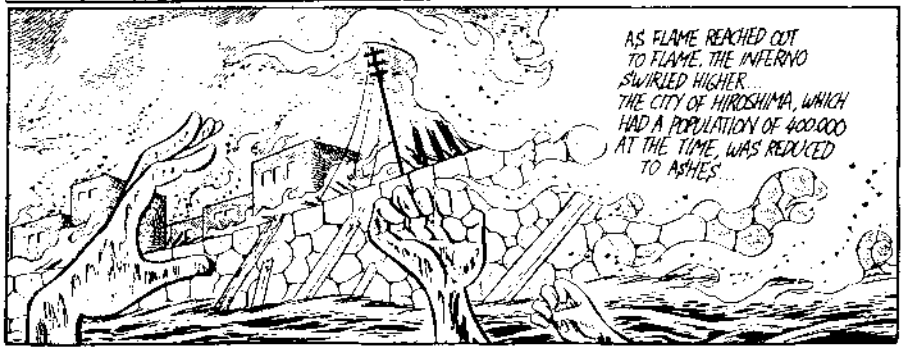
SING, EVERYBODY, RAISE YOUR VOICES AND SING!!


"WE'RE CHILDREN OF THE SEA BY THE SURF-POUNDED SHORES OF MATSUBARA..."

GURGLE
GURGLE

GUB
GUB


YOSHIDA-- MATSUKAWA-- ONO--
MATSUKAWA -- KAWADA--


AS FLAME REACHED OUT TO FLAME, THE INFERNO SWIRLED HIGHER... THE CITY OF HIROSHIMA, WHICH HAD A POPULATION OF 400,000 AT THE TIME, WAS REDUCED TO ASHES...

RO~ARRRR
THANK YOU, MR.PAK...
I THINK WE'LL BE SAFE HERE I'M GOING TO GO LOOK FOR MY FATHER
OOOHHH... G-GEN... HURRY, GO FIND A DOCTOR....
Y-YES, MAMA!
IS THERE A DOCTOR ANYWHERE? MY MAMA'S GONNA HAVE A BABY!! PLEASE HELP!
HELP! DOCTOR!
I'M GLAD YOU'VE COME TO YOUR SENSES, MA'AM YOU HAD ME WORRIED.
DOCTOR! DOCTOR!
MA'AM, DO YOU KNOW WHERE I CAN FIND A DOCTOR? MY MAMA NEEDS ONE!
WE CAN'T HELP YOU NOW!
WHAT'LL WE DO NOW, MAMA?
NGH--!
UHHHHH... IT HURTS...!
DOCTOR!
DOCTOR!!
P-PAINS... L-LABOR PAINS--!
L-LABOR PAINS --?!
MAMA! WHAT'S WRONG?
G-GEN... THE BABY... I'M HAVING THE BABY...
OHH, OHH...
GIVE ME WATER...
WATER--
MY MAMA'S HAVING A BABY!!
PLEASE, SOMEBODY HELP!

T-THERE'S NO DOCTOR ANYWHERE-- WHAT'LL WE DO?
AHHHHH... NGHH...
PUFF PUFF...
OH NO! THIS GUY'S BEEN SMASHED IN THE HEAD BY A BOARD!
OHHHH... I-IT HURTS...
MAMAA! I CAN'T FIND A DOCTOR!
WHAT'LL WE DO?
I-IT'S NO WONDER, IN THIS CONFUSION...
FORGIVE ME, I'M BORROWING THESE THINGS FOR MY MAMA.
AHHHH AHHHH
PUFF PUFF MAMA, I BROUGHT THEM!
GEN, YOU'LL HAVE TO DELIVER THE BABY...
M-ME? I CAN'T DO THAT!
PANT PANT DO AS I SAY AND IT'LL BE ALL RIGHT.
GO GET SOME BEDDING, A BUCKET AND LOTS OF CLOTH FROM THOSE HOUSES OVER THERE...
HURRY, MAMA, LIE DOWN HERE!
G-G-GH
F-FILL THE BUCKET FULL OF WATER, AND BRING SOME SCISSORS--
WHAT'RE THE SCISSORS FOR?!
TO CUT THE UMBILICAL CORD NOW HURRY!
PANT PANT
MAMAAA! BE BRAVE!
GEN-- THIS BABY WILL BE YOUR LITTLE BROTHER OR SISTER... BE LIKE A BIG BROTHER, BE STRONG!
Y-YES, MAMA!

G-GGH...
HANG ON, MAMA!
HANG ON!
AAAAA-AAHHHH!
HEY THERE, TOMOKO! I JUST BROUGHT YOU INTO THE WORLD ALL BY MYSELF – I'M YOUR BIG BROTHER, SO YOU'D BETTER LISTEN TO ME...
WA-A WA-A
HURRY AND GROW UP SO WE CAN PLAY TOGETHER!
WAAAAAH
SSS PANT PANT SSS
IT'S BORN!
THE BABY'S BORN, MAMA!
WAAHH! WAAHH!
PAPA-EIKO-SHINJI-LOOK!
WE'VE GOT A NEW LITTLE SISTER!! SEE HOW HEALTHY SHE IS? SHE'S GOING TO BE BEAUTIFUL WHEN SHE GROWS UP... SHE'S...
SH-SHE'S...
PANT PANT HOLD THE BABY'S HEAD GENTLY AND WASH ITS BODY WITH WATER.
RIGHT!
HEE HEE HEE, IT'S A GIRL! MY LITTLE SISTER! GEE, SHE'S GOT A FACE LIKE A MONKEY'S!
WAAHH WAAHH
W-A-A-A-A...
...Y-YOU'LL NEVER KNOW HER...

-LET ME HOLD HER, GEN...
REMEMBER THIS, TOMOKO! THIS IS WHAT TOOK YOUR FATHER, BROTHER AND SISTER FROM US... THIS IS WAR—
WHEN YOU GROW UP, YOU MUST NEVER LET THIS HAPPEN AGAIN!!
W-A-A-A..